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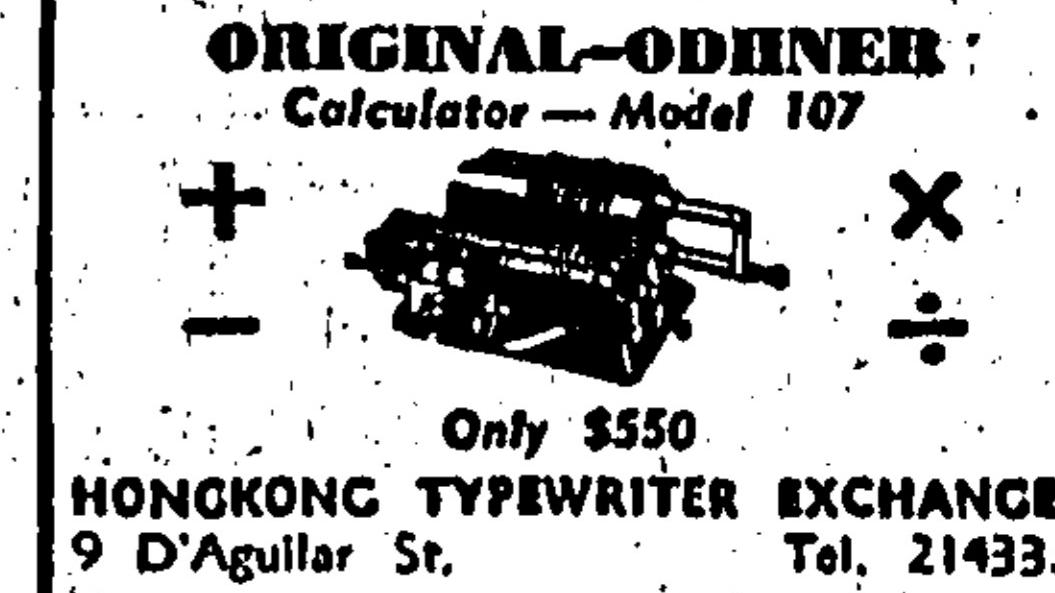
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COMMENT OF THE DAY

M. Laniel's Disadvantage

Of the three national leaders who will meet at Bermuda early next month, only M. Laniel the French Premier may possibly feel in a slightly inviolable position. Not only does he lack the prestige and permanence of either of his partners, but it is unlikely that he will, to anything like the same degree as the other two men, have ideas of his own on the subjects to be discussed. This is not M. Laniel's fault. The responsibility is distributed among those who have made French politics what they are and so have given to those who govern France perhaps the heaviest of all tasks in modern public life. And next to this problem is the awkward one of ratification of the European Defence Community agreement. No one can give France's allies a guarantee that the Assembly will ratify this treaty. Further, no one can say what the effects will be on the problem of governing France if it is ratified. When in 1951 the law granting slight financial relief to the Catholic schools was passed on a free vote by a majority different from that on which the Government was based, the result was to dislocate the political system for months. Therefore those responsible for piloting the EDC ratification measure through the Assembly have to think not only how to get majority for the bill but also how to carry on government afterwards.

THIS will be the more difficult because on present prospects it looks as if a new Government will have to do this. How to get a Government set up whose main task will be to do something which part of its majority wishes it not to do will indeed tax French ingenuity. Willy-nilly too, the prospects of the Bermuda meeting are having their effect on the Assembly debate on the European Defence Community. That the original idea of a three-Power meeting on the highest level was part of Sir Winston Churchill's campaign for reducing tension with Moscow is, from the ordinary Frenchman's point of view, the most agreeable aspect of the project. Nevertheless on two points it is evident French opinion will expect the Government to obtain clear assurances: first, that no attempt will be made to separate the Contractual Treaty with Germany from the EDC before it comes up for ratification next February, and secondly that Admiral Radford's recent tour of Europe will not lead to a revision of American strategy to Europe's disadvantage. Whatever else is on the Bermuda agenda, it may be taken for granted that M. Laniel will advance emphatic ideas on these two questions.

Expansion Of Trade With China Under Consideration

STATEMENT BY THORNEYCROFT IN COMMONS

London, Nov. 19.

Britain is considering a further expansion of trade in non-strategic goods with Communist China, official sources said today.

Several British firms with "firm orders" for exports to Communist China have been refused export licences by the Board of Trade because the exports were considered to come under the category of strategic material.

These include £2,000,000 worth of anti-biotics such as penicillin and sulpha drugs.

Mr Peter Thorneycroft, President of the Board of Trade, was asked in Parliament today when the government proposed to increase the export of anti-biotics to Red China.

"We are now considering the matter in consultation with other governments who like ourselves restrict the supply of pharmaceuticals to China," he said.

Mr Thorneycroft said the British government was "not out of sympathy" with the desire to expand trade generally with Communist China.

"The matter is under active consideration at the present time," he said.

Questions in Parliament showed a variance of views on the justification for the embargoes on trade with China under the United Nations resolution banning strategic exports to Communist countries.

It was argued whether woollen and rayon goods besides anti-biotics could be classified as strategic.

On July 6 this year, an unofficial delegation of British businessmen signed "firm contracts" with Communist China's state-owned foreign trade agency totalling about £15,000,000.

The Board of Trade refused licences for about £4,000,000 worth, but last month modified the ban and permitted the export of small cars to Communist China.—United Press.

Refuse To Recognise The Coronation

Edinburgh, Nov. 19.

A detective today told a court trying four men on a charge of plotting the Government that he had found a shorthand note which read "we do not consider Elizabeth as having been crowned Queen of Scotland."

The men on trial at the High Court here are alleged to be members of the Scottish Republican Army, an extremist national organisation. Police say they aimed to blow up Andrews House, the Government headquarters in Scotland.

Detective Sergeant Milroy of the Edinburgh Police testified today that in the room of one of the accused, Owen Gillan, 27, he had found fragments of an insurance form. Shorthand notes on it read:

"We, the Scottish Republican Army, declare that the deliberate omission of any reference to Scotland during the Coronation ceremony at Westminster, England, was a calculated insult by the English Government so familiar to the people of Scotland.

DECIDE TO STRIKE

London, Nov. 19.

Leaders of 39 shipbuilding and engineering unions, representing 3,000,000 British workers, today voted in favour of a 24-hour national strike on December 2.

This decision—a protest against the employers' rejection of a 15 per cent pay rise claim—will cause disruption in these key export industries and will undoubtedly have repercussions throughout the whole British trade union movement.

Today's strike vote at a special conference in London followed a meeting with shipbuilding employers at which the employers turned down the pay claim for the second time.

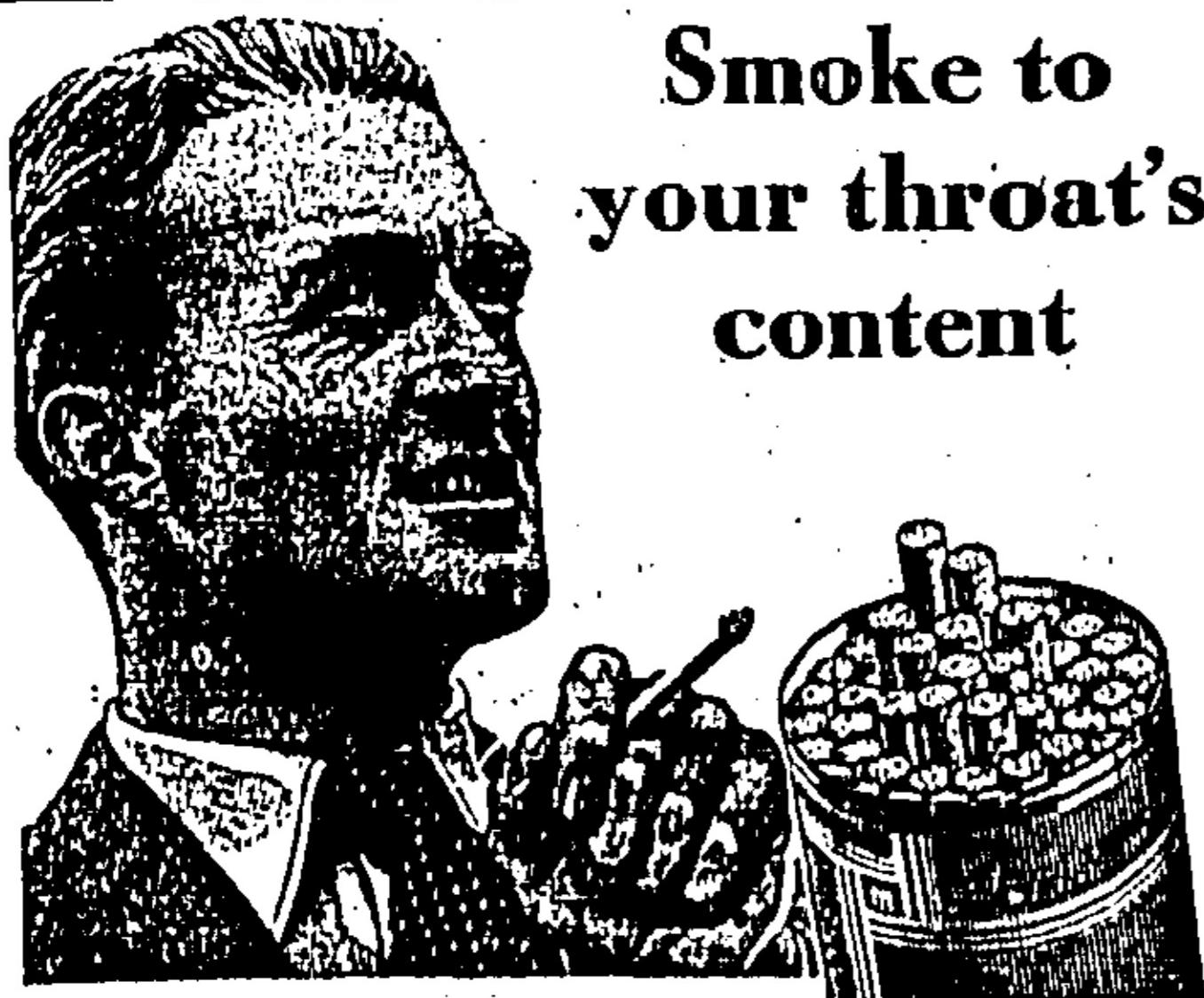
The engineering unions in the Confederation have already had their claim rejected twice by their own employers.

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Beirut, Nov. 19.

Planes, tanks, and troops were today searching for 15 shepherds caught in a snowstorm in Lebanon.

One victim of the storm, which has been raging for 48 hours, was a child carried away by flood waters, and a sailor who was drowned when his schooner capsized off Tyre.

Telephone wires were damaged in Beirut.—France-Press.

Rearming Of Japan

Nixon's Speech Wins Approval

Washington, Nov. 19. Leaders in Congress today expressed approval of Vice President Richard Nixon's appeal to Japan to rebuild her defences to meet the Communist threat.

Mr Nixon's admission of a mistake in United States policy in pressing for Japan's disarmament after the second world war was commended.

The Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Alexander Wiley, said Mr Nixon's statements on Japanese rearmament were "logical and reasonable" and should be warmly received by the people of Japan and other non-Communist Asian nations.

"I am sure the people of Japan were impressed by the willingness of the number two man in the United States to admit that, far from being infallible, we Americans unfortunately did misjudge the world situation when we previously urged the Japanese to renounce rearmament," he said.

UP TO JAPAN

Senator Wiley said the United States now knows "that Japan will never be secure unless she herself voluntarily recognises the need for her own prompt rearmament, regardless of what the opinion of the United States is."

He suggested that Japanese who questioned or opposed rearmament should "regard the lesson taught by Soviet and Chinese aggression since 1945."

Senator Mike Mansfield (Democrat, Montana), a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, referred to Mr Nixon's admission of an error in misjudging Soviet intention in pressing for Japan's disarmament by saying: "We have never maintained that our foreign policies were perfect. We make mistakes and when we do, we should be honest enough to admit them."

Senator Mansfield said the disarmament of Japan was a mistake in view of Soviet aggression since then.

The State Department spokesman said there was the deepest interest in Washington in what the United States Vice President, Mr Richard Nixon, was saying on his present tour of the Far East.

NO COMMENT

Mr Henry Suydam, in reply to questions at a press conference, said the Department had no comment to make on Mr Nixon's speeches.

He added that he did not believe the State Department had been clearing the texts of Mr Nixon's speeches before the Vice President delivered them.

Speaking in Tokyo today, Mr Nixon said the United States would not discuss general policy with the Communists until they had shown by deeds what they wanted peace. He also appealed for Japanese rearmament and declared the United States made an error in judgment when it sought Japanese disarmament in 1946.)

Mr Jose T. Attilano, with four others on their way to a logging camp by jeep, was one mile from an airstrip when they were ambushed.

Robbery appeared to have been the motive, because the killer took a package containing papers which he probably took for a payroll, including Attilano's watch.

However, investigators are not overlooking the possibility that Attilano was shot to death by a hired killer, as a result of political rivalry, since he was president of the local administration Liberal Party chapter.

Mr Carey then sought to introduce a motion that Dr Katz-Suchy be "directed" to recuse Dr Hsu as the delegate of China.

Dr Katz-Suchy said that as a chairman he could not resort to the same type of language as Mr Carey, but he did once describe the United States delegate as "naive."

Dr Katz-Suchy declined an invitation to give up the chair to the Vice-Chairman and to take a further part in the debate as the delegate of Poland.

Points of order and motions for adjournment began to fly thick and fast.

Carney Reports On Far East Tour

Washington, Nov. 19.

Admiral Robert Carney, the American Chief of Naval Operations, who has just returned from a Far East tour, said here that today he was convinced that the Chinese Communists were spreading their forces along the coastline opposite Formosa. He added that, on the whole, however, the Korean truce had not greatly changed the general distribution of Allied or other forces in the Far East.

Admiral Carney revealed that he intended to revise the whole programme of American bases in the Pacific with a view to making economy cuts.

The Chief of Naval Operations, while refusing to give a definite opinion on Nationalist Chinese chances of launching a major offensive against Communist China, said that, in his view, the Nationalists needed more training and equipment before undertaking a substantial operation against the Chinese Communists.

URGENT NEED

Admiral Carney said that the French urgently needed landing craft in their Tonkin operations and added that the United States would probably be asked to extend aid in this matter.

Reviewing America's naval programme, Admiral Carney said the Navy proposed to ask the government's position to build a fourth aircraft carrier of the Forrestal class. The Navy already has two carriers of this class building (displacement about 60,000 tons).

Admiral Carney also revealed that the Navy was converting ships specially to launch guided missiles. He said that it was not necessary to build a special ship for this purpose. In the future, he added, he thought an increasing number of atomic-propelled vessels would be given to the Navy.

A lot of information, he continued, would be available after the trials of the atomic-powered submarine, Nautilus, due to be launched in January.—France-Press.



Admiral Carney

Six Killed At Motor Rally

Oaxaca, Mexico, Nov. 19.

Six persons were killed here today when a Ford car, driven by Robert F. Christie, ploughed into a crowd that had gathered to watch another accident during the first lap of the Pan-American motor rally between Tuxtla Gutierrez and Oaxaca.

The crowd moved right in the path of Christie, who was travelling at high speed after another Ford, driven by Mickey Thompson of the USA, had overturned without serious injury to its occupants.

Christie and his co-driver escaped without injury from the accident. The dead and injured were removed from the track by volunteers as the cars taking part in the race roared by.

A German driver, Hans Herrmann, won the first lap in the special sports category. He was driving a Porsche.

In the international tourist category, an American, Chuck Stevenson, won the first lap. Stevenson, driving a Lincoln, covered the distance in three hours 57 minutes and 17 seconds.—France-Press.

ROYAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

London, Nov. 20.

Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh have been married six years today, but arrangements for their coming Commonwealth tour have kept them from planning a special celebration.

What with their personal calendar of engagements in a muddle, the Queen and the Duke decided to have a pre-anniversary celebration the other night with a group of close friends at the theatre.—Reuters.

Off To Bermuda December 2

Paris, Nov. 19.

M. Joseph Laniel, the French Premier, and M. Georges Bidault, the Foreign Minister, will leave for Bermuda by air on December 2 to attend the Big Three meeting with Sir Winston Churchill and President Eisenhower, it was announced here tonight.—China Mail Special.

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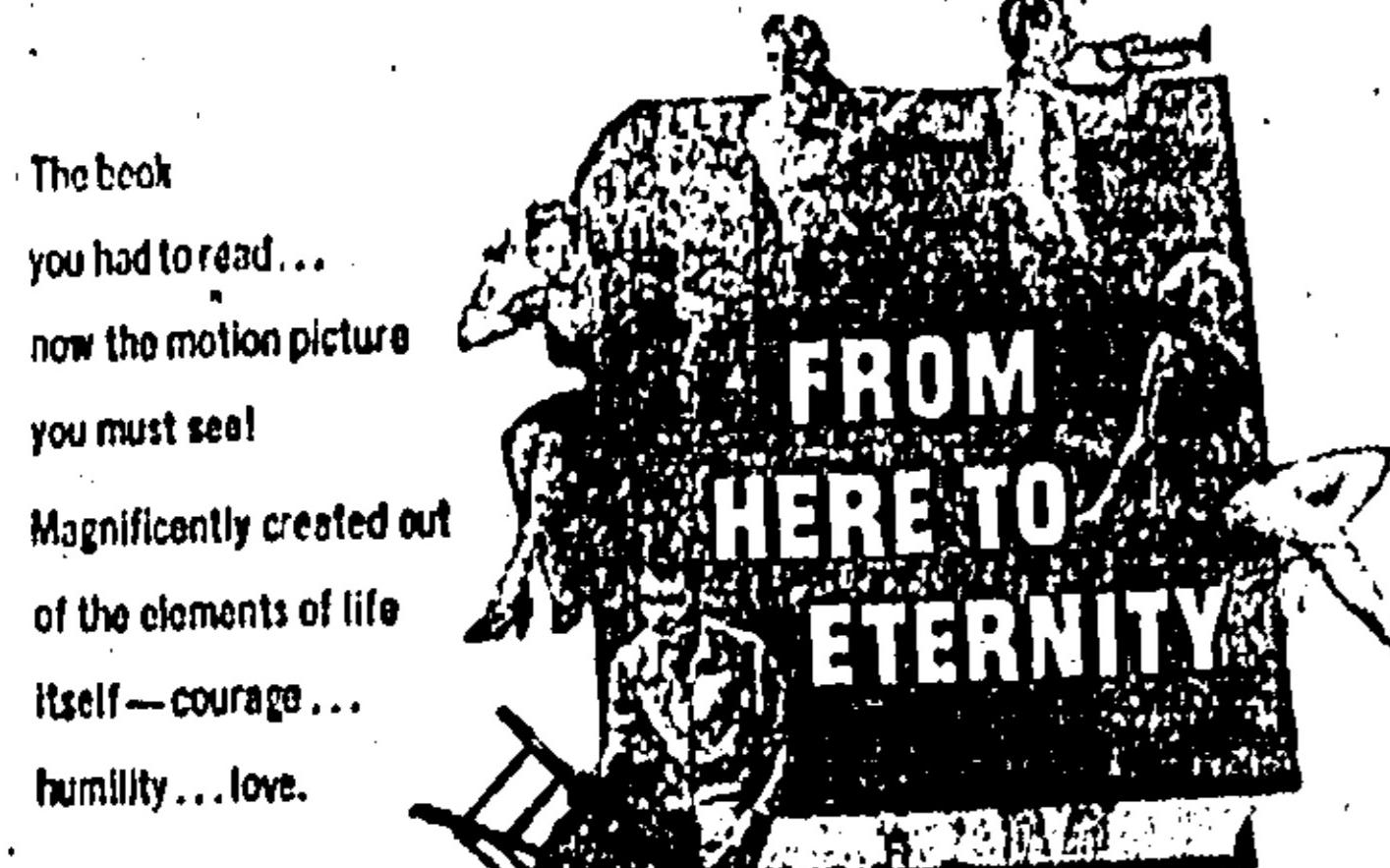
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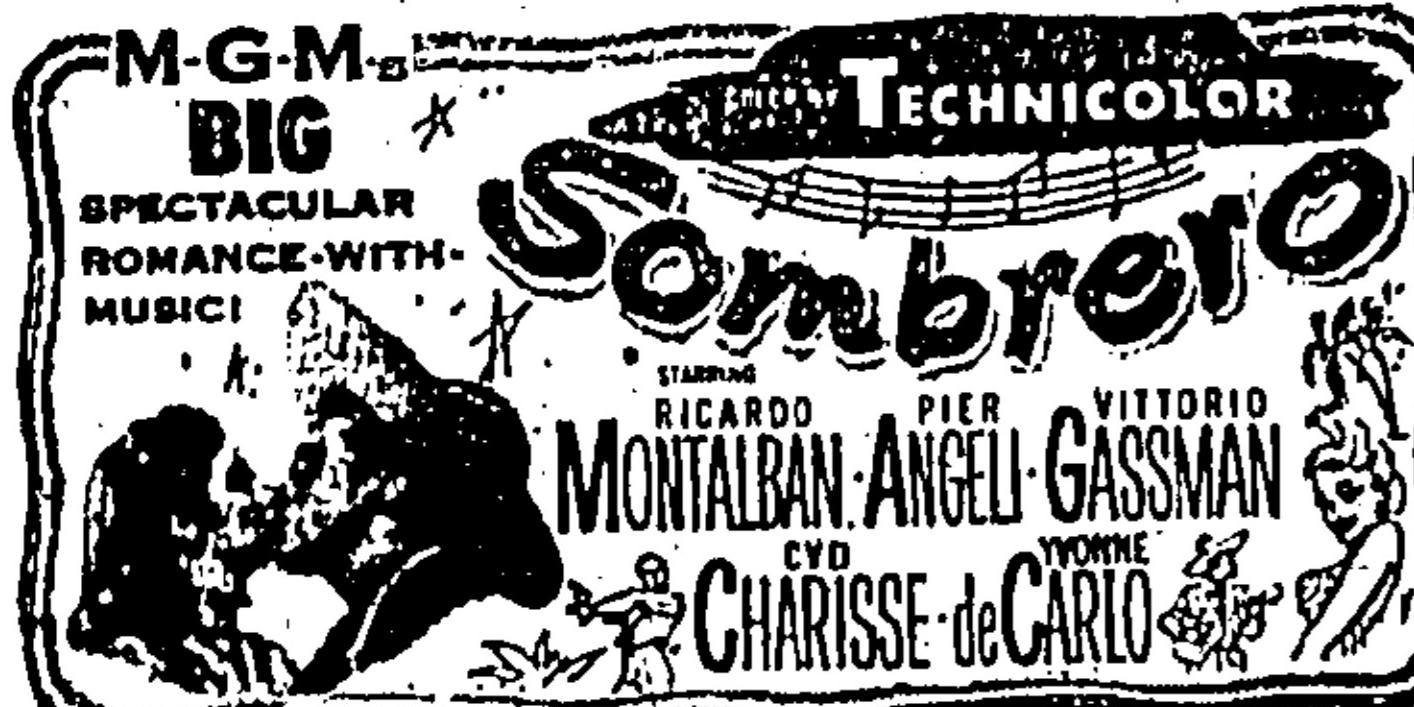
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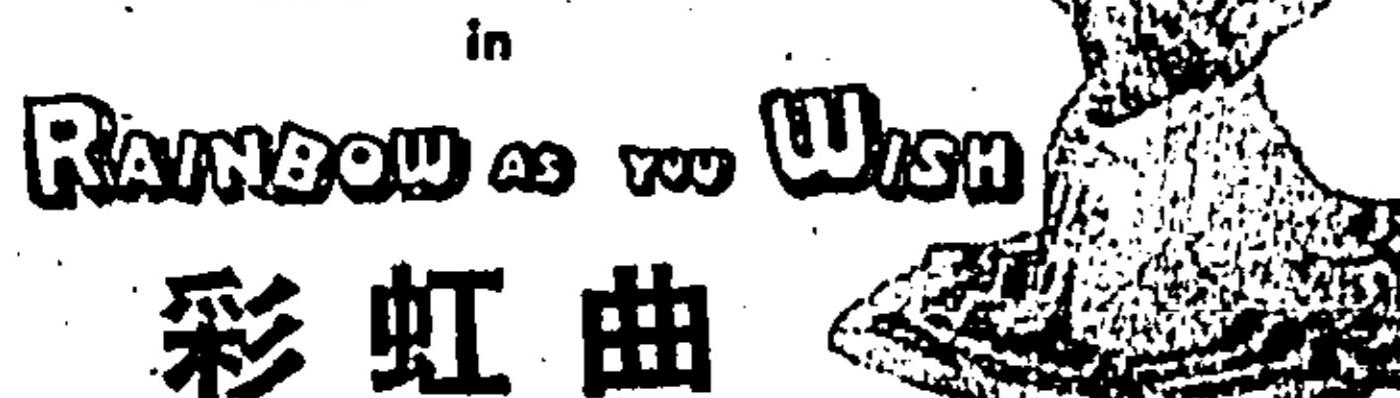
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REDUCTION OF TARIFFS

American Group Calls For More Liberal Policy Recommendations Aimed At Expansion Of World Trade

New York, Nov. 19. The United States National Foreign Trade Council yesterday unanimously adopted a 16-point programme calling for a liberal United States foreign economic policy to promote expanded world trade.

More than 2,000 American business, industry and finance leaders representing business concerns handling more than 50 per cent of the nation's foreign trade attended the Council's fourth annual convention which ended here on Wednesday.

The specific recommendations passed by the body touched on promotion of international trade, encouragement of private investment, international financing, convertibility, United States foreign aid, Russian bloc trade and commodity agreements.

Face Lifting In The Czech Regime

Vienna, Nov. 19. At least 16 new Deputy Ministers have slipped quietly into power in Communist Czechoslovakia in the last two months in another apparent face-lifting of President Antonin Zapotocky's regime.

The names of 16 and their new posts have appeared one by one without official fanfare in the newspapers which have been received here from behind the Iron Curtain.

Little is known about any except Ladislav Kopriva, former Minister of Security, who had been missing from public affairs since January, 1952. His appointment as deputy Minister of Local Industries was reported this week.

A broad reshuffle of the Czech regime was announced six months after the death of Klement Gottwald, Zapotocky's predecessor.

Another major change in the face of the Czech regime came this week with the death of Pexi, Moscow-trained Secretary of the Czech Communist Party, and regarded as a "Kremlin 'watch dog."

Pexi was a crony of Rudolf Geodler, who was executed his December along with Party Secretary Rudolf Slansky and nine other former Moscow favourites who fell from grace. —United Press.

First Trade Caravan For Three Years

Srinagar, Nov. 19. A winding caravan of camels and horses, laden with merchandise—the first to come out of Communist Sinkiang for three years—has arrived in Leh, Kashmir, according to reports received here today.

Sinkiang, mountainous province of China with an area of 680,000 square miles and a population of 4,000,000, lies north of Kashmir and Tibet, beyond the towering Himalayas. Since the Communists took full control of Chinese Turkestan in September 1949, this is only the second official trade caravan allowed to leave the big trading centres of Kashgar and Yarkand.

Caravan trade had flourished in the last half century and goods from Sinkiang to the value of millions of Rupees used to be exchanged in the markets of Leh, 300 miles from the Sinkiang border.—Reuter.

Funeral Of Czech Communist Head

Vienna, Nov. 19. The funeral of Bohumil Vodá, secretary of the Czech Communist Party, was held in Prague today.

The ceremony was attended by heads of the Czech government, by the central committee of the Communist Party, by a representative of the Soviet Communist Party and of the Soviet embassy in Prague. Vodá, Pexi had spent 14 years in the Soviet Union and returned to Czechoslovakia after World War II and became secretary of the central committee following the Silesian affair.—France-Presso.

Japanese Trade Talks In London

Tokyo, Nov. 20. The appointment of the Japanese Minister to Britain, Mr Ichiro Asakai, as chief of the Japanese delegation attending the forthcoming Anglo-Japanese trade and payments talks in London is expected to be approved formally at a Cabinet meeting today.—Reuter.

The Council asked that efforts be made both in the United States and others to secure the reduction of any tariff rates which may still be excessive and to secure the elimination of onerous or discriminatory restrictions on international trade exchange among the free nations.

Specifically, it urged that the United States Government "seek to secure continuation of tariff concessions effected under the existing trade agreements, the elimination of exchange controls, import quotas and other quantitative restrictions which operate to nullify such tariff concessions or otherwise obstruct the flow of international trade."

NORMAL FORCES

The Council said that the expansion of international trade, which it called "of great importance to the security and well-being of the free world," should be given the freest possible play through the normal forces of supply and demand.

Government interference with business should be kept at an absolute minimum, it said.

Except when necessary for the national welfare, the Council declared, it is against the imposition by the United States of any new or increased tariff or the use of quantitative controls, import taxes and fees and other restrictive measures.

Changes in United States foreign economic policy since the beginning of the century have acted as block to the initiative and action in other countries which is required to effective participation in the American market, it said, and warned that similar fears for the future are having the same effect.

"If the opportunities for an expanded international trade are to be fully realised, a liberal United States foreign economic policy must be established and its continuity assured," it said.

Speaking of private investment the Council advised that nations requiring foreign capital to continue assistance must make "deliberate and intelligent" efforts to attract it by establishing and maintaining favourable political and economic conditions.

INVESTMENT MAGNET

"It is important to realise that a prospective investor attaches greater importance to the treatment of capital, both domestic and foreign, already incorporated into the economy of a foreign country than he does to any promises, guarantees or other inducements which may be offered to entice new investors," it pointed out.

Help can be given by the United States Government to create a more favourable climate for investment in other countries, but the Council noted that it was up to the Governments and peoples of the countries seeking foreign capital to show by the treatment they accord existing investors that additional investment really is desired.

Industrial development should be the function of private enterprise, the Council noted, and it recommended the International Bank and the Export-import Bank as suitable agencies for such development.

It opposed the creation of an international finance corporation and a special United Nations fund for economic development.

"It is opposed, in short, to the proliferation of mechanisms of any sort designed to funnel the American tax-payers' money into dubious economic channels," the Council's recommendation read.

On the subject of convertibility, the Council said that it can be achieved on a worldwide basis only when more constructive long-term factors have been introduced and not "temporary" and "artificial factors" such as continued use of trade restrictions in many areas that now are in force.—United Press.

The 64-year-old Marquess of Reading who received a promotion in the Tory Government changes published last week. He becomes Minister of State in the Foreign Office to ease the burden of Mr Anthony Eden.

Pakistan Leader's Sharp Criticism Of Nehru Talk

London, Nov. 19. The Governor-General of Pakistan, Mr Ghulam Mohammed, said today that reports that Pakistan was negotiating with the United States for military help in return for the provision of bases were "absolutely unfounded and baseless."

Mr Ghulam Mohammed, in a press statement, said: "As I was delayed by bad weather on my flight from New York to London, I have only recently seen reports of the press conference held by Mr Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, at New Delhi on Sunday last.

"Mr Nehru made several observations about questions which concern my country's domestic and foreign policies.

"In view of the Indian Prime Minister's specific remarks on press reports alleging that the United States and Pakistan are negotiating for military aid to Pakistan in return for American bases in my country and certain provisions of our draft constitution and the position of minorities under this proposed constitution, I deem it necessary to state there is no such thing.

"Reports that my Government is negotiating with the United States Government for military assistance in return for American bases in Pakistan are absolutely unfounded and baseless.

This is no different from the practices in many other democratic countries, where the head of the state must be of the same faith as the majority of the people, Mr Ghulam declared.

He said:

"I wish to make it absolutely clear that Pakistan will never be a camp follower of anyone.

"I equally stress that Pakistan will never accept a position in which she can be told by outsiders what to do about her constitution, domestic affairs and foreign policy.—Reuter.

Collective Bargaining In Malaysia

London, Nov. 19. Mr Stan Awbrey, Labour's Colonial Secretary today if he was aware of the feeling of frustration among the tin miners in the state of Perak, Malaysia, owing to the continual refusal of the employers' association to recognise the principle of collective bargaining and if he would take steps to establish this principle as the present unrest may lead to a strike in the near future.

Mr Nehru stated at his press conference that our new constitution would give the Palauan minorities a lesser grade of citizenship. The sub-committee of the basic principles committee, in its report on minorities to the Constituent Assembly of Palauan, has given the non-Moslems the same rights as Moslems and all necessary safeguards.

"The only reservation in favour of the majority population is that the head of the state must be a Moslem. "Here we have been extremely frank and straightforward.

"Recognition has already been granted and collective bargaining has already taken place in respect of certain mines where this condition has been fulfilled."—China Mail Special.

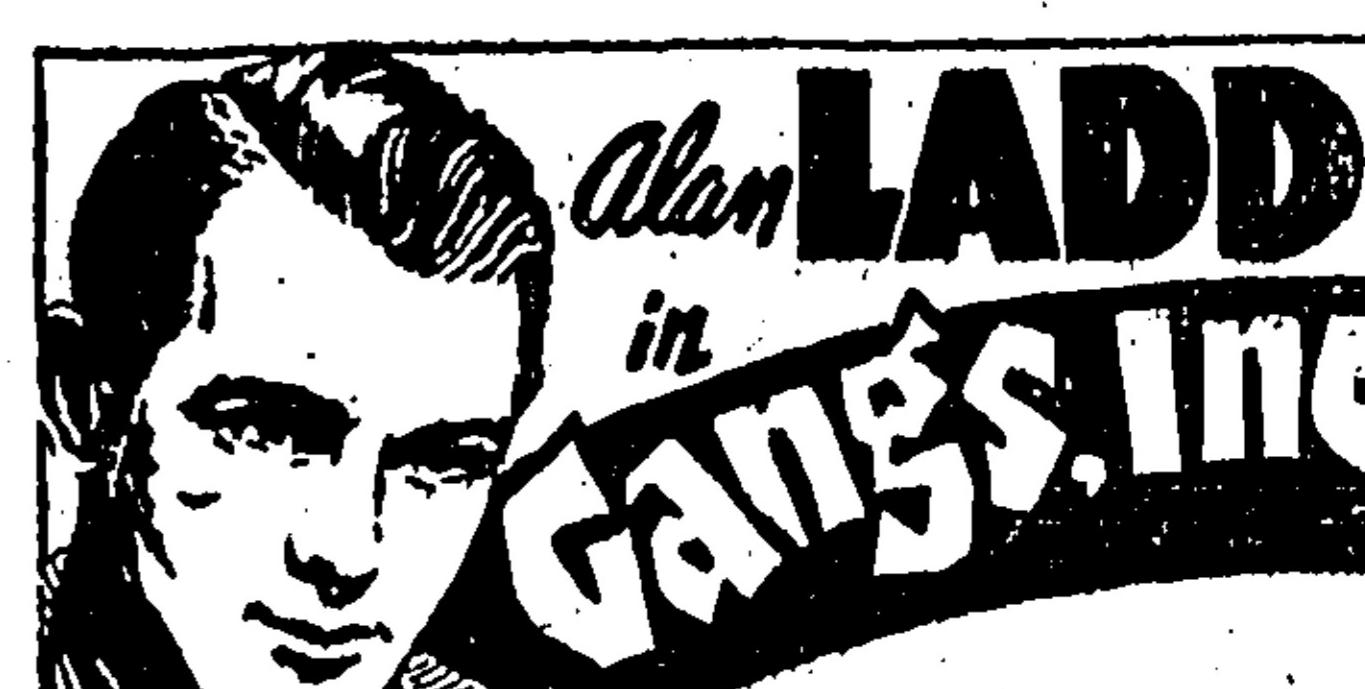
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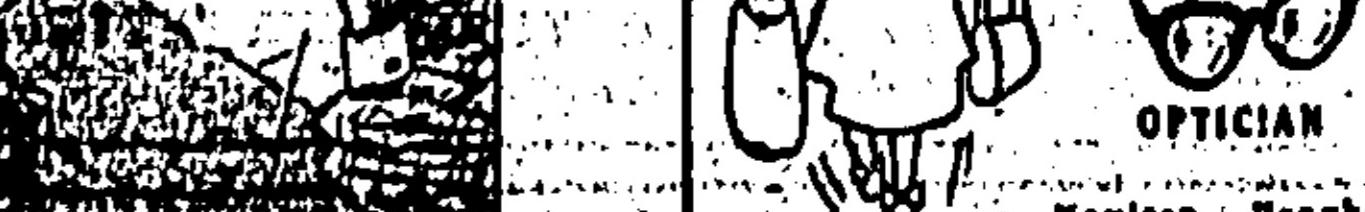
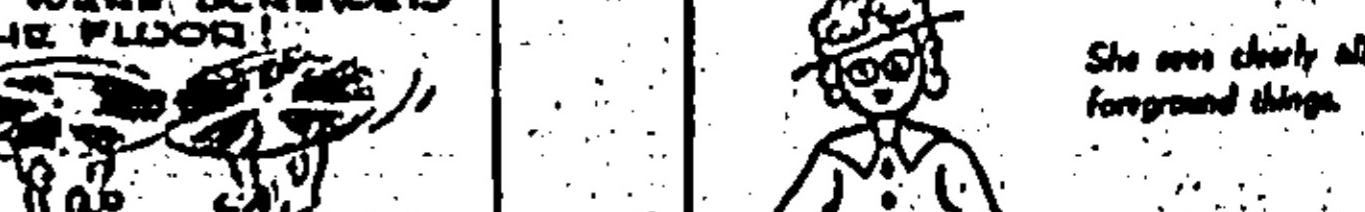
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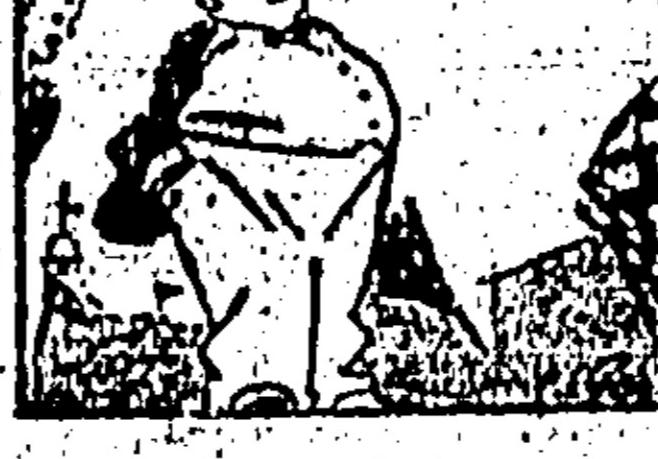
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Daladier Adamant In Opposition To Ratification Of EDC

Paris, Nov. 19. Former Radical Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, told the French National Assembly today that he would not vote for ratification of the European Defence Community Treaty. He bitterly accused Germany of adherence to the integration policy in an effort to regain her lost areas.

SOVIET BEATING SAME DRUM

New York, Nov. 19. The United States delegate to the United Nations, Mr. James Wadsworth, said here today Mr. Vysinsky, the Soviet delegate, had voiced the same well worn set of pronouncements reiterated for several years."

Mr. Wadsworth was replying to Soviet charges in the Political Committee of the General Assembly that the Bermuda conference could only serve to intensify international tension instead of reducing it.

The Committee was debating a Soviet "package proposal" entitled "measures to avert the threat of a new world war and to reduce tension in international relations."

Mr. Wadsworth said there was "no sign of any suggestion which seems to us sincerely designed to avert tension and world war."

Only yesterday the Political Committee had adopted a resolution on disarmament of which the Soviet group abstained.

"Later today, the Soviet Union offers us no encouragement on this score."

Mr. Alexios Kyrou, of Greece, asked how "so clever a man as Mr. Vysinsky" repeated again and again words and ideas "to which no one can attach the slightest importance."

He said the Soviet proposal for the immediate prohibition of atomic weapons was "trustworthy and unrealistic" and the call for a one-third reduction in the armed forces of the five great powers was "equally pointless and could be harmful."

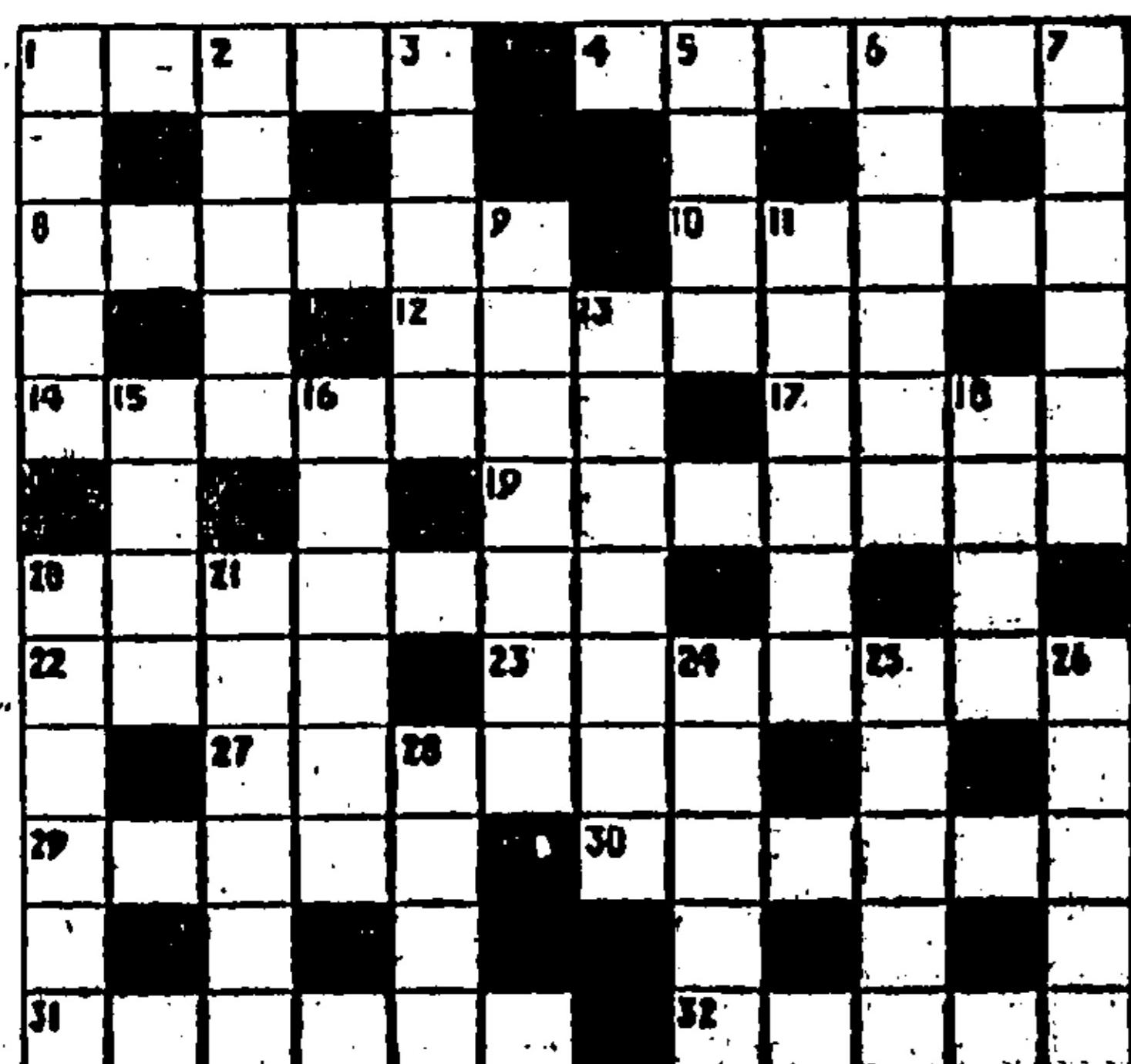
Earlier, Mr. Vysinsky said Western statements that the reduction of tension depended solely on the Soviet Union were "entirely fallacious."—Reuters.

Judicial Reform In Morocco

Rabat, Nov. 19. The Sultan of Morocco signed four new decrees today providing for judicial reforms in Morocco.

The decrees provided for fundamental guarantees of modern justice, such as the right of parties to be assisted by a counsel before a trial, and the right to bail when the sentence to be imposed would be of a minor nature.—France-Presse.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- French capital (6).
- Sliced (6).
- Photographic apparatus (6).
- Outcome (6).
- Dodges (6).
- Stretches from side to side (7).
- Period (4).
- Flusters (7).
- Pliny saying (7).
- Poisoned (4).
- Attics (7).
- Unruffled (6).
- Conscious of (6).
- Extreme right (6).
- Four (6).
- Separate (6).

DOWN

- Select (6).
- Dance (6).
- Enchantment (5).
- Dry (4).
- Ship (4).
- Burrows (6).
- Medians (7).
- Spotting dog (6).
- Unyielding (7).
- Chrysanth (4).
- Dale brown (6).
- Holoso (4).
- Commission (6).
- Mud (6).
- Staggered (6).
- Balls (6).
- Support (5).
- Peruse (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Implicit, 8 Book, 9 Meriting, 11 Elevated, 13 Gait, 15 Corporal, 18 Reckless, 19 Pest, 21 Fiddlers, 23 Horizons, 24 Calif., 27 Moderate, Down: 1 Eros, 2 Solv., 4 Meet, 5 Lads, 6 China, 7 Tight, 8 Major, 10 Hagg, 12 Looses, 14 Inner, 16 Rimit, 17 Lends, 18 Puzzled, 20 Sleek, 21 Fault, 22 Deft, 23 Man, 24 Sift.



Emir Said Ibn Abdul Aziz, the new King of Saudi Arabia, following the death of his father, King Ibn Saud, at the age of 73. The Saudi royal family is one of the richest in the world. (Express photo).

German Liberals Offer New Saar Proposals

Bonn, Nov. 19. Three Liberal members of the West German Bundestag (Lower House) proposed today that the Saar territory be incorporated as a "land" (state) with the German Federal Republic, but that economically, it should continue to form a single unit with France.

The proposal was presented by Max Becker, Heinrich Schless, and Hubertus zu Loewenstein.

The plan suggested by the Liberals included the following points:

Firstly, France could purchase a certain quantity of Saar coal, and could sell to the Saar a stipulated quantity of its agricultural products. These transactions would be paid for in French francs.

Secondly, Western Germany would buy back through reparations payments the Saar factories which have been sequestered as reparations.

Mines which belonged to Prussia or to the German Reich would go in part to France, in part to the Western Germany, and in part to the Saar itself.

As guarantees on the part of Western Germany, the three Liberals suggested the following:

Firstly, the Bonn government would place its military contingents under the command of the projected European defence community as provided in the Treaty of Paris.

Secondly, if the European defence community is not ratified, Western Germany would establish no garrisons in the Saar.

These Things Are Imponderables

Karachi, Nov. 19. Viscount Swinton, British Commonwealth Relations Secretary, said here today he hoped there would be the same co-operation between Britain and Pakistan when the latter became a Republic as there had been up to the present.

Viscount Swinton was addressing a press conference a few hours after his arrival from New Delhi. He said that though a separate decision had still to be made on whether Pakistan would remain within the Commonwealth, he had no doubt the answer would be "yes."

Asked to comment on Pakistan's decision to become a Republic, he said: "Any country is entitled to take any step it thinks wise. We wish you well."

He added: "There is a difference between those parts of the Commonwealth which decide to owe allegiance to the Queen and those who do not; but these things are imponderables. All loyalties must be a thing freely offered and freely given. This is, of course, common interest between those that have a common bond."

Viscount Swinton would not say whether he had discussed the Kashmir problem with the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru. Britain wished Pakistan well, but could not dictate a

settlement of the dispute which the whole Commonwealth was keenly anxious to see solved.

Several questions were put to the Secretary for Commonwealth Relations about rumours of military talks between Pakistan and the United States.

His reply was: "I have not the faintest idea what these talks are about. I only know what I have read in the newspapers. The proper people to say are the Pakistani Government."

During his stay here, Viscount Swinton will meet most members of the Cabinet and will visit the Sukkur barrage and the Lower Sheld barrage which is under construction at Kotri.

McCARTHYISM HOUNDING BACK TO ROBIN HOOD!

London, Nov. 19. Englishmen, from the High Sheriff of Nottingham down, lifted amused eyebrows today at an Indiana woman's proposal to ban the story of Robin Hood from schools because it was "Communistic."

"We're very proud of Robin Hood," said Sheriff William John Cox of Nottingham, whose predecessor of long ago followed Robin Hood and his merry men on many a chase.

Mr. Thomas J. White of the Indiana Textbook Commission said that the Communists "want to stress Robin Hood because he took from the rich and gave to the poor. That's the Communist line."

Said the Sheriff of Nottingham: "If we were alive today we'd probably call him a gangster, and I'd have to do my best to get out after him. We've never minded our children reading about Robin Hood and Maid Marian and Little John and all the rest. It's their heritage. And, mind you, I'm no Communist. I'm a member of the Conservative Party."

The Duke of Portland, Lord Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire and thus a successor to Guy of Gisborne, Robin Hood's implacable enemy, could not be reached for comment. He was out hunting.

Edgar Tucker, the forester of Sherwood Forest, could not be reached either. He was out patrolling the forest hunting modern day poachers.

The Secretary of the Robin Hood Country Society at Mansfield, in the heart of Sherwood Forest, exploded.

"What?" he said, "I know Robin Hood robbed the rich to give to the poor, but I think it's a ridiculous suggestion. There was no such thing as a Communist in those days. The lady is talking out of the back of her neck."

In London, Stephen Potter, author of "Gamemanship", or the art of winning without actually cheating, said that Mrs. White "is quite right, but isn't she taking a rather negative attitude? Perhaps the story should be re-told with a new cast of characters—super-Hood, super-John and super-Maid Marian. That way it might have a more familiar ring."

Angus Wilson, Deputy Superintendent of the reading room in the British Museum Library and the author of such novels as "The Wrong Set" and "Such Darling Dodos" said darkly, "If you oppose Robin Hood, you're putting yourself on the side of King John, because Robin Hood steals from him."

"And that way you tend to do nonsense of Magna Carta, which the nobles forced King John to sign."

The Sheriff of Nottingham agreed that "King John was a tyrannical old bugger, and I can't say I blame Robin Hood. But if Robin Hood robbed the rich to give to the poor, he probably plundered his own nest too."

"I don't think he made a pretty good thing of it."

"We wouldn't want to take Robin Hood out of English history. We're very proud of him around here."—United Press.

New Regency Act Signed

London, Nov. 19. The Queen today gave her Royal Assent to the new Regency Act by which the Duke of Edinburgh would, if circumstances made necessary, take over the Regency instead of Princess Margaret.

The law thus comes into force tonight. The Queen Mother is also to be a member of the Council of State, members of the royal family, which will operate in the absence of the Queen from England.—France-Presse.

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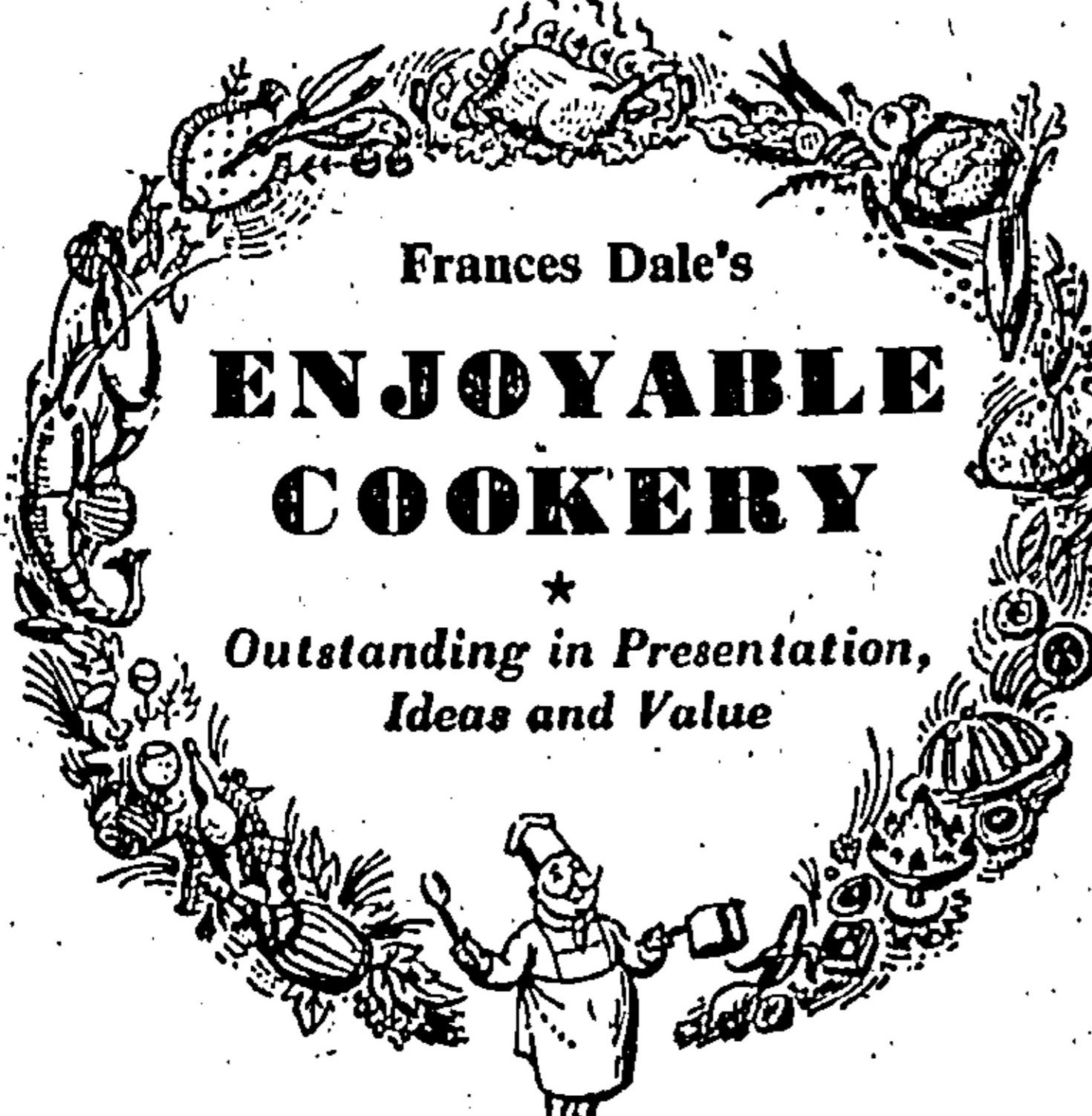
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TRIUMPH AND TRAGEDY CHAPTER SIX

At the Teheran Conference of November 1943, it had been decided to divert German opposition from the cross-Channel "Operation Overlord" by a virtually simultaneous assault on Southern France, to be known as "Operation Anvil."

Forces for "Anvil" from Italy could not be spared before Rome fell. When it fell, on June 4, 1944, the position had to be reviewed.

At Teheran we had confidently expected to reach Rome early in the spring, but this had proved impossible. The important descent at Anzio to accelerate the capture of Rome had drawn eight or ten German divisions away from the vital theatre, or more than was expected to be attracted to the Riviera by "Anvil." This in effect superseded it by achieving its object. Nevertheless, the Riviera project went forward as if nothing had happened.

The hard fighting had of course engulfed important enemy reserves which might otherwise have gone to France, and it certainly helped "Overlord" in its critical early stages, but none the less our advance in the Mediterranean had been gravely upset. Landing-craft were another obstacle. Many of them had been sent to "Overlord." "Anvil" could not be mounted until they came back, and this depended on events in Normandy.

On June 14 the Combined Chiefs of Staff decided to prepare an amphibious operation in the Mediterranean which might strike either in the south of France or in the Bay of Biscay or at the head of the Adriatic. Its destination could be left open for the moment. Three days later Gen. Marshall visited the Mediterranean to confer with the commanders.

GEN. Wilson was impressed with "Overlord's" need for more ports, of which he then learned for the first time, but he did not alter his judgment against "Anvil," and on June 19 told the Combined Chiefs of Staff that he still thought his best contribution to the common end would be to press forward with all his resources into the Po valley.

Thereafter, with the help of an amphibious operation against the Istrian peninsula, there would be attractive prospects of advancing through the Ljubljana Gap into Austria and Hungary and striking at the heart of Germany from another direction. Alexander agreed.

On June 23 Gen. Eisenhower advised the Combined Chiefs of Staff to concentrate our forces in direct support of the decisive battle in Northern France. He admitted that an advance through the Ljubljana Gap might contain German troops, but it would not draw any of their divisions from France. As for a descent in the Bay of Biscay, he agreed that Bordeaux was close to the United States than Marseilles, but maintained that the latter could be captured more quickly by forces already in the Mediterranean, and would furnish a direct route

Soon after D Day Gen. Marshall came to England and expressed his concern about yet another problem. Enormous forces were accumulating in the United States, and should join

Author's italics throughout

New Life For Grand Alliance Aim Of The Bermuda Talks

By WILFRED RYDER

LONDON. NEW life for the West's Grand Alliance is the primary aim of the Bermuda Conference. Preparation for high-level talks with the Russians is secondary.

For it was the present confusion on basic issues in the West which prompted Sir Winston to ask Mr. Eisenhower and Mr. Lanier to meet him. It was this which caused Mr. Eisenhower to accept the invitation—though last October he had refused to do so.

Sir Winston believes the development of atomic and hydrogen weapons makes war more remote by threatening destruction of both sides. He said so on November 3. The obvious implication—though he denies it—is that Western defences can be lowered.

Mr. Eisenhower believes new weapons will permit a reduction in defence costs by giving fewer divisions greater striking power; therefore American garrisons overseas can be reduced. This view was explained this week to Britain's military chiefs in London by Admiral Radford, Chairman of the US Joint Chiefs of Staff.

But Mr. Lanier had previously threatened Admiral Radford, in Paris that if either America or Britain reduced their defences and in particular if they reduced their divisions in Germany, France would oppose German rearmament even more firmly. The loss, through French objection, of 12 German divisions on which NATO defence plans have been based since September 1950, would be the most

serious weakening of those defences yet.

Both Sir Winston and Mr. Eisenhower now realise that their theories may relax the pressure to build up NATO's forces.

They will therefore, in Bermuda, discuss the implications of the new weapons. And they will seek a formula to prevent the grand alliance faltering.

This would involve persuading the French either to ratify the European Army Treaty or to Germany into NATO, and the NATO Ministers—who meet in Paris six days after Bermuda—to continue rearming.

May Appeal

Both Sir Winston and Mr. Eisenhower will find difficulty in refusing French pleas for a guaranteed they will maintain their present ten- and a half divisions in Europe alongside those of France to balance the twelve proposed German divisions. One way to meet such commitments would be for Mr. Eisenhower to offer to pay for more British and French divisions. It is an idea that would appeal to his economy-minded budget planners. For it costs £85m. to maintain an American division abroad; £27m. to maintain a French division; and £25m. to maintain a British division.

This is an idea which may also appeal to Britain. Britain is faced with a bill for £200m. a year for the four- and a half divisions of the British Army of the Rhine and the Second Tactical Air Force when Germany sets her own forces on foot. But Britain would not

be being constantly weakened

if she were to join a guarantee to the Soviet Union.

CHIEFS OF STAFF IN DISAGREEMENT

..... By Sir Winston Churchill

northwards to join in the battle for the Ruhr.

He therefore urged that "Anvil" should be undertaken at the expense, of course, of our armies in Italy, since "in my view the resources of Great Britain and the United States will not permit us to maintain two major theatres in the European war, each with decisive missions."

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WE were all agreed of course that "Overlord" took priority, the point was how the armies in the secondary theatre, Italy, could best help to overthrow Germany. The American Chiefs of Staff strongly supported Eisenhower. They condemned what they called the "commitment of Mediterranean resources to large-scale operations, in Northern Italy and into the Balkans."

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Our own Chiefs of Staff took the opposite view. On June 20 they declared that the Allied forces in the Mediterranean could best help "Overlord" by destroying the Germans who faced them. In order to launch "Anvil" on Aug. 15, withdrawals from the Italian front would have to begin at once and rather than land on the Riviera they preferred to send troops by sea direct to Eisenhower.

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"With much prescience they remarked: "We think that the mounting of "Anvil" on a scale likely to achieve success would hamstring Gen. Alexander's remaining forces to such an extent that any further activity would be limited to something very modest."

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They urged that Alexander should develop his offensive in Italy so as to engage and destroy all the German forces opposed to him; that Gen. Wilson should do all he could to emphasise the threat of an assault on the south of France; and that Wilson should prepare to send Eisenhower one or more American divisions and/or all the French divisions which he was capable of receiving and which our shipping resources would permit.

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THE President's reply was prompt and adverse. He was resolved to carry out what he called "the grand strategy" of Teheran, namely, exploiting "Overlord" to the full, "victorious advances in Italy," and an early assault on Southern France. Political objectives might be important, but military operations to achieve them must be subordinated to striking at the heart of Germany by a campaign in Europe. The President continued:

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My interest and hopes centre on defeating the Germans in front of Eisenhower and driving on into Germany, rather than on limiting this action for the purpose of staging a full major effort in Italy. I am convinced we will have sufficient forces in Italy, with "Anvil" forces withdrawn, to chase Kessingberg north of Pisa-Rimini and maintain heavy pressure against his

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THIS direct conflict of opinions, honestly held and warmly argued by either side, could only be settled, if at all, between the President and myself, and an interval of time.

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THE President suggested at one point that we should agree to our respective cases before Stalin. I said I did not know what he would say if the issue was put to him to decide. On military grounds he might have been greatly interested in the eastward movement of Alexander's army, which, without entering the Balkans, would profoundly affect all the forces there and which, in conjunction with any attacks Stalin might make upon Rumania or Yugoslavia against Transylvania, might produce the most far-reaching results.

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On long-term political view he might prefer that the British and Americans should do their share in France in the very hard fighting that was to come, and that East, Middle, and Southern

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army at the very least to the extent necessary to contain his present force...

We can—and Wilson can—immediately withdraw five divisions (three U.S. and two French) from Italy for "Anvil." The remaining 21 divisions, plus numerous separate brigades, will certainly provide Alexander with adequate ground

Europe should fall naturally into his control. But I felt it was better to settle the matter for ourselves and between ourselves. I was sure that if we could have met, as I to frequently proposed, we should have reached a happy agreement.

On July 2 the President declared that he and his Chiefs of Staff were still convinced that "Anvil" should be launched at the earliest possible date, and he asked us to direct Gen. Wilson accordingly. He said that at Teheran he had only contemplated a series of raids in force in Istria if the Germans started a general retirement from the Dodecanese and Greece. But this had not happened yet.

Therefore (he concluded) I am compelled by the logic of not dispersing our main efforts to a new theatre to agree with my Chiefs of Staff. I honestly believe that God will be with us as He has in "Overlord," and in Italy and in North Africa. I always think of my early geometry—"a straight line is the shortest distance between two points."

For the time being I resigned myself, and the same day Gen. Wilson was ordered to attack the south of France on Aug. 16. Preparations began at once, but the reader should note that henceforward "Anvil" was called "Dragoon." This was done in case the enemy had learnt the meaning of its original code-name.

BY early August, however, a marked change had come over the battlefield in Normandy and great developments impended. On the 4th I reopened with the President the question of switching "Dragoon" to the west.

The course of events in Normandy and Brittany, and especially the brilliant operations of the United States Army, give good prospects that the whole Brittany peninsula will be in our hands within a reasonable time. I beg you will consider the possibility of switching "Dragoon" into the main and vital theatre, where it can immediately play its part at close quarters in the great and victorious battle in which we are now engaged...

I feel that we are fully entitled to use the extraordinary flexibility of sea-and air-power to move with the moving scene. The arrival of the ten divisions assigned to "Dragoon," with their L.S.T.s, might be achieved rapidly, and if this came off it would be decisive for Eisenhower's victorious advance by the shortest route right across France....

(Continued Tomorrow)

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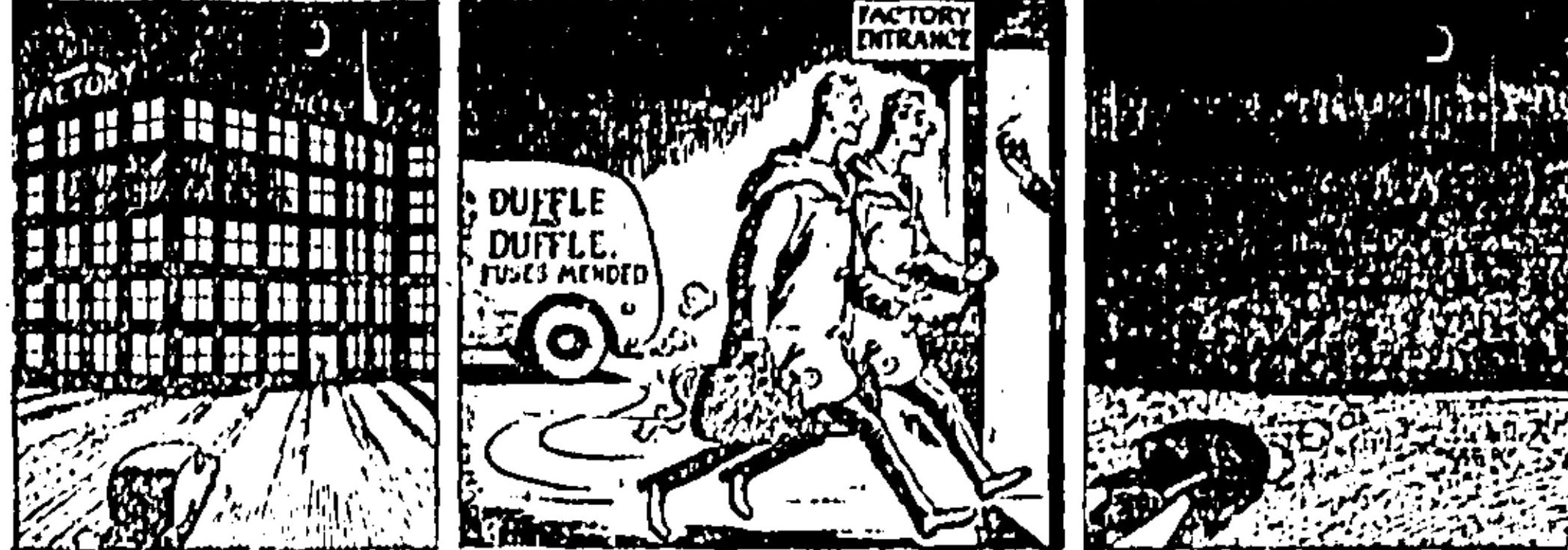
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THE DUFFLE TWINS . . . by DODD**• BY • THE • WAY •**
by Beachcomber

IT is becoming quite common to reprint the "doings" of politicians. The "President Wants Peace," scribbled by Mr Dulles and reproduced the other day, shows that this new branch of art-cum-literature is developing rapidly.

There will soon be anthologies of these things, and the first will be made at election time of some candidate's wife. I Love Gertrude, in a setting of Cupids, or of the opponent's partner, Mrs. Wilberforce, a gravestock. Mrs. Wilberforce, Arariah Wilberforce, Australia. Australia. Australia.

In the moonlight

"E'er your permit will be through next week, Miss Sloperner. It's 11.470502."

"Oh, thank you, Mr. Snel."

"The method of registration is out of date."

"I suppose it must be look at that now!"

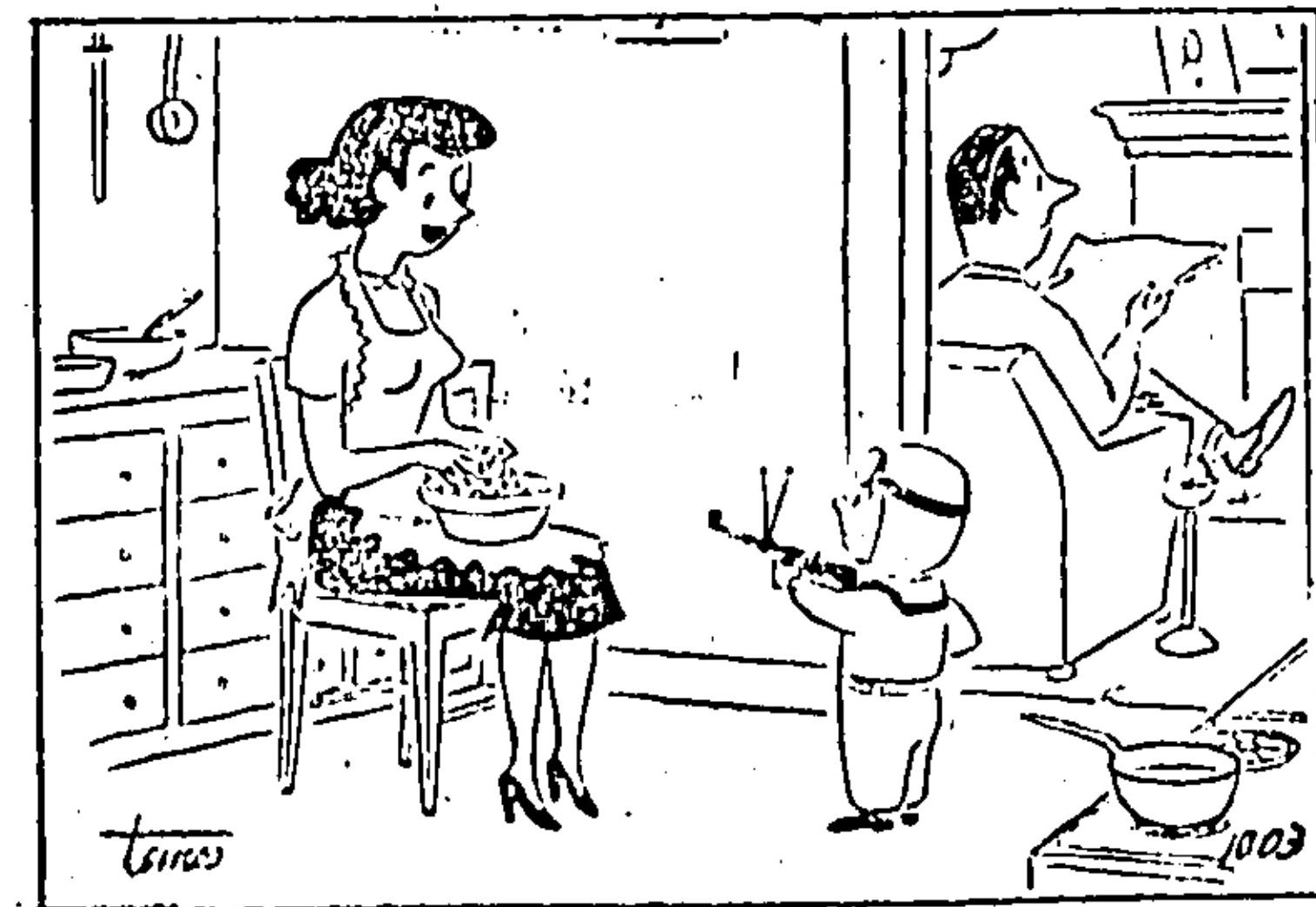
"With a look at that moon?"

"The moon! Yes. What—er—"

"I only meant it was very beautiful."

"Not tomorrow. That halo round it, you know."

"How brightly it shines!"

**YOUR BIRTHDAY . . . By STELLA**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

BORN today, you have a constructive mind and are positive and determined in your opinions. This is a good day for you. This is not one of the best days of the month and fortune is not always smiling on those who call this a birthday. However, you have given credit where the stars have given you exceptional talents which, if you utilize them fully, can bring you fame as well as fortune. You may not win all the battles, but you can win out eventually, if you persevere consistently, and adhere unflinchingly to your ideals.

Although you are individualistic in your thought and action and dislike the intervention of others, you have to be sensible, often and you would probably do well as a leader in any social or political movement.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—Even the most calculating members of your family need to help with home chores once in a while.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 22)—Be careful if you are driving in heavy traffic. The old adage may be true, but you needs watching.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 21-Jan. 20)—This is the time for you to forget business and relax. Plan to make the most of your free time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Have you been making your Thanksgiving Day plans? Invite the family for dinner. Get an early start.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20)—Next Thursday is sooner than you think. If you plan to go, you will certainly all go well with you.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19)—There may be repairs around the house that need doing. This could be a day to get them done.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 20)—You can plan a pleasant week-end out of town, if you don't try to overdo things. Make arrangements for a hotel.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Fate can make waste, so progress with caution and you will not commit a serious error in judgment.

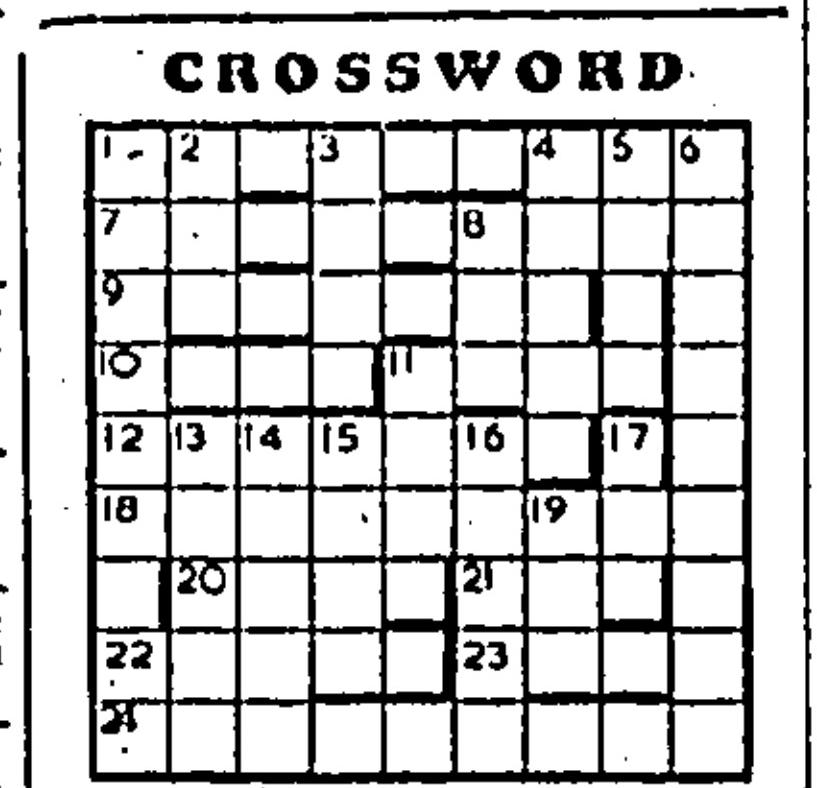
CANCER (June 22-July 22)—A fine day to entertain relatives and close friends. Reprocate social obligations at this time.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)—If at all possible, try to get out of town and change your point of view. You will like it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Attend to minor, detail work over this week-end. For now, let important major decisions rest.

DUMB-BELLS

HE QUIT HIS JOB. DON'T WORRY AND ENLISTED! THEY'LL GIVE HIM A PAIR!



Across:

- Active tip (anag.). (9)
- "A good sheriff hath a word in it" (Henry IV Part II). (10)
- May overtakes one eventually. (10)
- Wife's cover. (4)
- What a swindler! (4)
- Get an image in the mind. (7)
- E.g., Native (anag.). (9)
- What you have to do without its gun. (4)
- Give well with it. (3)
- Homely (anag.). (4)
- An emotional story, perhaps. (4)
- Experimental. (6)
- Seven seas go round five like this. (9)
- And he's not an animal. (3)
- Loverly than a poem? (4)
- Parade ground for a bridal march? (6)
- For the brave-brave Kempfens! gone? (Cowper). (4)
- Planted in land, included with a letter. (9)
- Draws game from the collar. (4)
- Place for a house, but no house is there. (4)
- An oil and no ge in a light. (6)
- Criminals who precede the way from ship to shore? (4)
- Necessarily a dark thing. (6)
- The way between two pines. (3)

Answer Tomorrow

SOLUTION TO CHECK YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

Re-arrange the letters to spell her occupation.

(Solution on Page 10)

WOMANSENSE**MR RUSSELL HITS THE JACKPOT**

MELBOURNE.

MR PETER RUSSELL, who gave up his business as one of London's Top Ten dress designers last summer "because English women can no longer afford to buy enough expensive clothes," has hit the jackpot. He is now sailing home from Australia with enough orders for dresses around £70 each to keep his workshops busy for quite a time.



Peter Russell
cables the woman's news from four cities

Some antique jade pieces contain many flaws, but the Chinese do not let this detract from its value. They say that Jade has many of the same qualities as friendship, which can never be perfect.

SAN FRANCISCO
talks of one girl

CURRENT glamour girl of the American newspapers is a 16-year-old English girl. They are calling Princess Alexandra, the Duchess of Kent's daughter, the "British Scene Stealer" and are forecasting that she will replace Princess Margaret as Britain's No. 1 glamour girl.

It is rare to pick up a paper here without seeing a picture of "Sandra" and reading of the young men already clustering around her.

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"4-D" Look For Earrings

New York.

Jewellery designers have decided to counteract the narrow silhouette of autumn fashions.

The slim silhouette predominates in clothes, but is offset by jewellery, which is bigger and bolder than ever. Necklaces are large and the massive look is increased with pendant drops with various cuts of stones. Earrings are huge, whether they're hoop or over-sized drop styles.

Some jewellery manufacturers are featuring the "4-D" look—earrings not only built up and out, but curving around in hoops and rolls.—United Press.

SINGAPORE

where jade is plenty

JADE is one of the loveliest things to buy in Singapore. If you are an expert you'll spend as much as £300 for a ring. But if you are a blissful amateur you can pay £3.

Chinese girls prize a necklace of beautiful Jade as highly as real pearls. One Chinese woman told me that Jade has much the same qualities as pearls. She said hers night and day, while bathing or sleeping, so as not to dull its sheen for just like real pearls it fades and becomes dimmer when not worn.

Until I visited a valuable jade collection in Singapore I had always imagined that Jade was green, but it comes in as many as eleven different colours, including black, white, red, yellow and blue.

CHICAGO

million dollar charmer

CHARM is big business in America. One of the most successful charm brokers, with 22

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Milk won't scorch in heating washing them in warm soap if you wipe the bottom of the suds with a bit of butter or margarine.

Coffee and tea stains in china cups can be removed quickly by baking soda on a celery stalk on your hands to make the onion odour disappear.

Soft-on-lipstick smears on napkins with glycerine before for several weeks at a time.

A thin film of paste wax will give bannisters good protection against "hand traffic."

step they took, they grew smaller. They became as small as a puppy, then as small as a cricket, then as small as two very small ants.

They were standing by the garden wall when Mr Merlin, the Magician, walked by. They nodded to him and he nodded back. "See you later," he said.

Then an extraordinary thing happened. Mr Merlin walked on straight toward the garden wall. With each step he took, he grew smaller. Knarf and Hand could hardly believe their eyes. First he became as small as a boy. Then he became as small as a dog. Then he became as small as a sparrow. Finally he became as small as an ant and disappeared under a leaf.

Knarf and Hand started shouting. "Mr Merlin! Mr Merlin!" They heard a small voice answering, "Yes? What do you want?"

"Come back here!" Knarf and Hand said. "No," said Mr Merlin. "You come here! I'm under this leaf."

Very, Very Small

Knarf and Hand started walking toward the leaf. And then the extraordinary thing began happening to them. With each

"Why, it's like a garden!" Hand exclaimed.

They all sat in the swing, Knarf and Hand in one seat and Mr Merlin in the seat opposite.

"But why?" asked Knarf, "does it have to be such a small garden?"

Knarf and Hand spent a very pleasant hour in Mr Merlin's garden, and he smiled.

"I guess you're right," said

Mr Merlin, and he smiled.

Refreshments Served

Knarf and Hand said they weren't hungry, but they wouldn't mind having a cookie and a glass of milk.

So Mr Merlin rang a little bell, and the next moment a beetle came walking in.

"What can I get for you, Mr Merlin?" said the beetle.

Please bring a tray of cookies and three glasses of milk," said Mr Merlin.

"Very good," said the Beetle.

A moment or two later, it returned with a tray of cookies and three tall glasses of bubbling milk.

"They're honey cookies," the Beetle said, "made by the bees. I got the milk fresh from the cow in the next field."

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Just Arrived —

MORE ADVENTURES

of RUPERT

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Rupert has difficulty in guiding the sandboat clear of obstacles so Pauline makes fast the sail cords in order to leave her hands free to help him steer. As she does so the little craft hits a boulder with a violent bump and before she can

get herself the Guide is jolted right off. Rupert manages to stay on board, but next moment the frightening beetle has driven the sandboat into the sea and as it meets the water he is pitched forward, near to the mast.

With hundreds of shapes of frames and centers from which to choose, the wearer can select exactly the right glasses for cosmetic value as well as for improving vision.

The well-dressed woman has an elegant wardrobe. She takes pleasure in having a change of glasses—combination plastic and metal frames for office or everyday wear, delightfully trim and decorative designs for the evening hours.

This woman who must put on glasses for the first time may be a bit panicky. She may believe they will make her look older or academic. It isn't so. Glasses can be a beauty aid because they emphasize attractive eyes and hide unattractive under-eye pouches.

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SPORTS SURVEY

THE BIGGEST DOPING STORY OF ALL TIME—THE HORSE WON AND IT WAS LEGAL

By "ALL-ROUNDER"

The biggest doping story of all time took place at the Liverpool Autumn Meeting 50 years ago. It was arranged by a celebrated trainer and an English Earl, and was legal.

Lord Charles Montague was handed the dope by the Hon. George Lambton to give a horse called *Cheer*, who had done nothing at all that year. After taking the stimulant *Cheer* won a valuable race, and helped in Mr Lambton's campaign against

The trainer openly proclaimed that he was going to dope certain of his horses, and his brother, Lord Durham, was at first shocked, but not for long.

Mr Lambton told him that he wanted to make the Stewards of the Jockey Club realize what scandal the "doping" had caused. "I will not have a shilling," he said, "on any horse which I have doped."

He bought six doses from a vet and, as a result of using five of them, had four winners and a second. The sixth was the one handed to Lord Charles Montague at Liverpool.

It was all openly done and had the desired effect. In the following year doping was banned, the penalty being a warning or a fine.

If the Minister of Housing and Local Government had been appointed, and a local authority agreed that a corporation could not meet its responsibilities, it might have been necessary to suggest that the racing industry should be nationalized. The proposal in Liverpool, which came from the same source, did not go far enough, but it was a good idea.

The new proposals, however, do not consider that there are any grounds for such a proposal, and the Minister has agreed that a corporation could not meet its responsibilities.

TAX GATHERER KILLED

When £2,000,000 was raised at a testimonial cricket match to celebrate the 30th birthday of S. F. Barnes, Customs and Excise stepped in and took the sum of £1,445,156 by way of entertainment duty.

Now the sum has been refunded because the match was in aid of charity, and the whole of the proceeds have been re-

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the 53rd Race Meeting 1953-54 to be held on Saturday, 2nd and Saturday, 12th December, 1953, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Tuesday 2nd November, 1953.

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H.K.-Vietnam

Table Tennis

Match Tonight

Hongkong will meet Vietnam, and not a combined Japan-Vietnam team as previously reported, in a table tennis match at 7.30 p.m. today at the Southern recreation centre.

Two Vietnamese table tennis players arrived by plane yesterday but the arrival of the Japanese star was delayed until Sunday. As a result the original two-day programme was revised. Today, there will be four singles and one doubles game. Tomorrow, at the same time and place six Hongkong players and the two Vietnamese will engage in a knock-out tournament.

Hongkong will be represented by five players, two in the doubles and three in the singles, one of the latter to play two singles matches. They are: Siu-chio Lau Shek-tong and Teung Kok-wing (singles) and Lau Kum-gum and Chung Hing-chau (doubles).

NOT FAST ENOUGH



The fastest man on earth is brought to a standstill. McDonald Bailey, joint holder of the world 100 Metres record, finds that clutching arms severely hamper speed.

As a result, Mr Bailey is determined to continue to race the three existing cars as long as there are races for them to enter.

The next event in which a bird will be running will be the Auckland Grand Prix in New Zealand. Ken Wharton, the Smithwick garage owner and most regular driver of these cars, is taking one over to enter the 200-mile race next January.

Meanwhile work is continuing in the utmost secrecy on the new BRM racing engine to compete under the Grand Prix formula coming into effect next year. This is for cars of either 2.5 litres unsupercharged or 2.0 litres supercharged. No details will be released until the engine is ready.

Mac, who joined the Leigh Rugby League club in July, has still to play his first League game as he has been suffering from an injured groin muscle.

This floodlit game was his first tryout. And, despite the tackling, Mac said afterwards "I'm feeling fine and hoping to play soon."—Express Photo.

Roy Campanella Voted National League's Most Valuable Player

New York, Nov. 19. Crash-proof Roy Campanella, Brooklyn's durable catcher who licked his injuries, bean balls, and other hazards to set two all time Major League records, was named the National League's most valuable player today for the second time in the last three seasons.

The stylish stout slugger, who was celebrating what he said was his 32nd birthday today, received 297 points out of a possible 336 in the annual voting by a special committee of 24 members of the baseball writers of America—three from each League city.

Campanella received 17 first place votes, five seconds, one third and one fifth to top Milwaukee's home run king, Ed Mathews, by a comfortable margin. Mathews finished second with 216 points, receiving three first place votes, 14 for second, two for third, two for fourth and three for fifth.

Campanella, who became the fourth National League player in history to win the award more than once, joined Stan Musial of the Cardinals, Carl Hubbell of the Giants and R. Hornsby of the Cardinals in that select group. Musial finished with a total of 303 points in 1948. Musial set the all time high in the balloting with 310 points in 1946.

In addition, he was the top flight hurler of pitchers and always was the best in the business at throwing out opposing runners on the base paths.

Campanella won by the widest substantial margin since Musial finished with a total of 303 points in 1948. Musial set the all time high in the balloting with 310 points in 1946.

It was significant that last year's most valuable player, Bank Sotor of the Cubs, did not receive a single vote.

Third place also went to a Dodger Duke Snider, who had 157 points and one first place vote.

Warren Spahn of Milwaukee was fifth with 120 points, but was

a frequent target of bean balls, played in 144 games, batting a lousy .312 for the highest average of his career.

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Not Too Many Runaway Victories Likely At The Empire Games

By "RECODER"

Not too many runaway victories are likely at the Empire Games at Vancouver, Canada, next July. Gordon Pirie in whichever distance runs he will contest and Australia's high hurdler, Ray Weinberg, appear the only certainties for gold medals.

What Australia's now famous long distance coach, Percy Cerutty (pronounced cerity as in sincerity) has in store for Pirie is worth some consideration. The fact is that in the early Australian road racing season all past records were broken not by one but by several runners and full Marathons in under 2½ hours are getting commonplace Down Under.

However, no matter how much Cerutty's charges train ("Puff Puff") Pirie is not one to relax either. Cerutty's brave pupil that great Miller, John Landy, is a doubtful starter at Vancouver being a believer in his career in athletics being more important than running.

Roger Banister is also unpredictable and may decide to retire before the new season starts. Without Landy and Banister, however, a near four-minute Mile at Vancouver is still possible. In addition to Banister, there were six other British Milers who negotiated the distance in under 4:10 in the course of the past season.

AGOSTINI v. HOGAN

West Indian sprinters have always liked the Canadian climate and so, despite the fact that there isn't very much more data on Trinidad's Michael Agostini than his two record-breaking races at this year's Jamaican AAA Championships, he should not be underrated. Agostini is dead in one ear and cannot hear the starting gun, but a runner in his opponent's leg is not him off just as fast.

Australia's Hector Hogan will certainly hold him all the way in the 100 yards and Australian experts, who have had more experience with first class sprinters than those of most other countries, think he is the best ever produced.

Jamaica's Leslie Laing will be a challenger to the two, particularly the 220. He is the only one of the Jamaican Olympic Champion relay team who is certain to remain in competition next season.

Rhodes' McKinley, Watt and Laing have in the course of the past year shared in another accomplishment. All four have had a daughter born into the family and athletic publications are already speculating on the probability of the same four families winning another Olympic Relay in 20 years' time this time in the women's sprints.

Best performances throughout the British Empire and Commonwealth since November 21 last, year are here appended:

100 YARDS

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9.5 Heets Hagan (Australia)
9.6 John Tait (England)
9.7 Bill Job (U.S.A.)
9.8 Graham Gipe (Australia)
9.9 Eddie Smith (Trinidad)
9.10 Alan Gorde (Australia)
9.11 K. A. D. Gibson (Australia)
9.12 Michael McLean (Australia)
9.13 Alan Breytenbach (S. Africa)
9.14 K. A. B. Glouw (Ghana)
9.15 Brian Johnson (Australia)
9.16 B. C. Cameron (Australia)
9.17 Bill de Grey (Australia)
9.18 Tony Booth (Australia)
9.19 Adrian Delport (S. Africa)
9.20 B. C. Anderson (Australia)
9.21 Brian van Heerden (S. Africa)
9.22 Alan Gerkin (S. Africa)
9.23 Ken Wyett (S. Africa)
9.24 Lou Knight (Jamaica)
9.25 N. S. S. (Jamaica)
9.26 Eddie Smith (Trinidad)
9.27 Michael Agostini (Trinidad)
9.28 John Landy (Australia)
9.29 Gordon Pirie (England)
9.30 Frank Sando (England)
9.31 Eddie Smith (Trinidad)
9.32 John Mullin (Canada)
9.33 Jackie Brown (England)
9.34 John Evans (England)
9.35 Brian Barrett (England)
9.36 P. B. Driver (England)
9.37 Brian Johnson (England)
9.38 Ian Bruce (England)
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 "PETER REED" Sibu & Tanjong Muli 21st Nov.
 "YOCHOW" Tanjong Muli 21st Nov.

ARRIVALS FROM

"TAIPEI" Sydney Noon 21st Nov.
 "CHANGTE" Australia & Manila 27th Nov.

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Scheduled Sailings to Europe via Aden & Port Said

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"BELLEROPHON" Liverpool & Dublin 23rd Nov. 24th Nov.

"MENTOR" Genoa, London Rotterdam, Amsterdam & Hamburg

"PATROCLUS" Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow 23rd Nov. 26th Nov.

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A Step Toward Church Merger

Chicago, Nov. 19. Four Lutheran church bodies which are negotiating a merger moved another step closer to their goal at a meeting here when they adopted a substantial portion of a "blueprint" for the organisational setup of the proposed united church.

Action was taken at a session of the Joint Union Committee. The bodies involved are the Evangelical Lutheran Church, American Lutheran Church, Lutheran Free Church, and United Evangelical Lutheran Church. They represent a combined membership of more than 1,000,000.

The groups adopted a doctrinal agreement entitled "United Testimony on Faith and Practice" at their convention last year after which work began on the task of framing a joint statement on polity (government) and organisational structure of the merged Church.

REPORT SUBMITTED

A Joint Committee on Polity and Organisation, charged with reconciling the views of the four church bodies, submitted its report to the Joint Union Committee in Chicago. Its 82-page document revealed that tentative agreement had been reached on general principles of church polity, the authority of the local congregational as well as the synodical body, and the programme of evangelism, American missions, and world missions.

According to this blueprint, the proposed merged Church would carry on its programme through the American missions, education, charities and social action, publication, pensions, and auxiliary activities. Other divisions may be added, it was reported.

Several major points were referred back to the Joint Committee for further study. It will report on these at the next meeting of the Joint Union Committee, to be in Chicago from December 7-9.

UNDER DISCUSSION

The points still under discussion include the feasibility of having a plenary convention (with every congregation represented) every six or ten years; financial matters such as investment of endowment funds; and the extent to which the Church may borrow; and the organisation of the stewardship department.

Also under discussion at the December meeting will be the relationship of the proposed new Church to its segments in Canada and the relationship of these Canadian districts to other churches in Canada.

The relationship of the united Church to non-Lutheran organisations such as the World Council of Churches to the National Lutheran Council, and to other Lutheran bodies, will also be considered at the next meeting.—China Mail Special.

Uninterested

Malayans

Penang, Nov. 19. Penang's Resident Commissioner, Mr R. P. Bingham, said here that a great problem with Malayans is their lack of interest in world affairs.

"Only a small portion of our people take any interest in matters outside their own small circle," he added welcoming home students from the Malayan Teachers' Training College at Kirkby, Lancashire.

"It is important that they should be given wider interests and I ought to inquire into what is going on in the world."

This was probably due to the social system here with its emphasis on the family, "but if we are to have leadership in this country, we must have initiative and you as teachers are in a privileged position to encourage that initiative."—China Mail Special.

Town Without A Dentist

Gotha, Greenland, Nov. 19. People with toothache should think of the plight of the 2,000 residents of Godthaab, capital of Greenland, who have been without a dentist for three months. The one and only dentist has had to go home to Denmark on sick leave.

Aching teeth are treated either by home-made methods or after a 250-mile sea journey to Sukkertoppen or a 450-mile land-and-sea trip to Holsteinborg.

Sometimes they call in the help of their captains—who usually have a pair of forceps in their first aid outfit.—China Mail Special.

Gen Gruenther In London



General Alfred M. Gruenther, Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, who was recently in London as part of his official calls on North Atlantic Treaty Organisation countries, attends a meeting at the Ministry of Defence.—London Express.

An Ideological Somersault Required

Vienna, Nov. 19.

If the Communist Balkan countries are in earnest in their reported desire to rehabilitate the non-Communist private farmer—the Kulak, a Russian word for big farmer—as some of them have suggested, their governments will have to perform an ideological somersault. Prompted by the urgent need for increased agricultural production, a change of attitude has been suggested by government leaders in Czechoslovakia and Hungary in recent speeches.

The Czechoslovakian Prime Minister, Viliam Siroky, announcing special Government measures for helping co-operative farms, said that private farmers too would be helped. His own statistics gave the reason—private farmers still hold more than half the country's arable land.

The Hungarian Prime Minister, Imre Nagy, said: "Exaggerated measures against Kulaks have caused considerable losses for the country, which said that the list was a 'typical example of bureaucratic thinking.'

Kulaks in all Soviet bloc countries have hitherto been denied the substantial State credits and other help granted State co-operative farms.

If for reasons not of their own choosing they were unable to deliver their compulsory quota of produce to the State, they were heavily punished on charges of economic sabotage. The thousands of farmers have been sentenced to long prison terms and some even to death on such charges.

Thousands of others have been driven to hunger and desolation by having their ration cards confiscated on various pretexts.

MASS DEPORTATION

In many districts whole farming communities have been deported and their land confiscated. Private farmers' children have been made to suffer as well. They have not been admitted to universities and high schools and denied the opportunity of obtaining higher positions.

This was probably due to the social system here with its emphasis on the family, "but if we are to have leadership in this country, we must have initiative and you as teachers are in a privileged position to encourage that initiative."—China Mail Special.

Parents And Homework

Allensbach, West Germany, Nov. 19.

Most German parents "take an interest" in their children's homework, especially the mothers, a public opinion poll by the Institute of Democracy here showed.

Only nine per cent of the parents questioned said they were not interested in the homework, while 17 per cent did not know much about it. Eighty-two per cent of those who were "positive" towards homework were women.

When asked whether they helped with the homework, 27 per cent said they often helped, 49 per cent said occasionally, and 24 per cent never.—China Mail Special.

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Back To "Normalcy" In Cotton Trading

COMMISSION TO END ITS OPERATIONS

From An Economic Correspondent

London, Nov. 19. The Government—emboldened by the success of its policy of restoring trade to private hands—has just taken one of its most important economic decisions since it came to power two years ago. Next year, if legislation to be introduced by the Government is passed by Parliament, the State-sponsored Raw Cotton Commission will end its trading operations, thus clearing the way for the re-opening of the Liverpool Cotton Exchange.

Cotton will be one of the last commodities handed back to private trade. Even now the move involves a certain risk. For about half of all the cotton used by British mills comes from the United States. Last year, these imports cost just under \$100 million—one of the largest items in the United Kingdom's dollar bill.

With the re-opening of the Liverpool Cotton Exchange, British mills will be able to satisfy all their requirements of dollar cotton without restriction. But obviously the same freedom cannot be extended to foreigners for that would lead to a serious leakage of dollars. All dollar cotton bought in Britain for sterling must therefore be used in Britain. If a foreigner wishes to buy American cotton on the Liverpool Exchange, he will have to pay it in dollars.

The Exchange could not be reopened, however, without some element of risk. Why then, has the Government decided on this move? Would it not be better to keep the Raw Cotton Commission in existence?

The fact is, of course, that a start was made as long ago as eighteen months to break the Commission's monopolistic power. A committee, set up by the Board of Trade to reconsider the operation of the Commission, recommended that spinners should be allowed to import cotton privately. If they chose to do so, but in view of the dollar shortage, it was not considered possible at that time to recommend a full return to free trading in cotton.

MONOPOLY BROKEN

At first, only about a third of all cotton used by British spinners was imported privately. This season, however, more than a half of all cotton imports will be on private account.

But although the Raw Cotton Commission's buying and selling monopoly is broken, one of its chief functions remains intact. For even though a spinner chooses to make his own arrangements for importing raw cotton, the Commission is still required to provide him with "cover" against the risk of a loss if prices rise. In effect, therefore, the Commission is the "escape clause" of the type of cotton named in the contract, he will regard the cost of obtaining "cover" as a sort of insurance premium against a risk that happily did not arise.

On the other hand, of course, the chances are that even if he covers himself by buying a futures contract, the price of the type of cotton he requires may rise more sharply than he expects. This is the "risk of the 'basis' growth."

If the price of the type of cotton he actually needs has moved more or less in line with the price of the cotton named in the contract, he will regard the cost of obtaining "cover" as a great deterrent to a businessman who plans to construct a foreign plant to supply goods for the American market."

Ceylon Enters New Market

Colombo, Nov. 19. Ceylon has entered the United States market for monazite—mineral used in atomic bombs—following India's ban on exports from Travancore.

The first shipment of monazite sent to the USA consisted of 600 bags weighing 30 tons and was sold through a British firm in Travancore at £125 a ton.

Travancore eased production of monazite following the ban imposed by Prime Minister Nehru.—China Mail Special.

US Tariff Policies Pose A Roadblock

New York, Nov. 19.

A prominent American industrialist today said existing uncertainty among foreign traders as to the tenure of United States tariff policies posed a roadblock to foreign trade which, he said, "is a greater obstacle" than any other specific United States legislation.

Urging the United States to build a solid American prosperity through more world trade, Eugene Holman, President of Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), emphasised that "high rates, poor workmanship and the absence of new designs, all combine to make Britain a poor market for the export buyer," says Mr Lawrence.

On many occasions he was told that the merchandise he selected was not for export. Manufacturers appeared to be more interested in the home trade.

In several cases he found that the export price was higher than the price to a home buyer.

In some cases I could buy articles identical or almost

identical from retail stores at prices lower than those quoted by the manufacturers for export."

ORDERS GUARANTEED

Suppliers in the UK, Mr Lawrence continues, are in the happy position of having the bulk of Colonial orders guaranteed to them by the Exchange Control Regulations. The Colonies are unable to avail themselves of the many attractive offers from non-sterling countries.

"But we do not complain of this," Mr Lawrence says, "if it is for the general good and if we are to be treated fairly by the manufacturers. There will come a time, however, when the exchange restrictions will be eased or removed. What will become of Britain's Commonwealth markets then?"

"I suggest," Mr Lawrence concludes, "that home manufacturers are living in a fool's paradise, but surely it is for the Government to see that these people do not endanger the country's future prosperity."

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Increased activity on the Hongkong Stock Exchange was revealed in transactions up to noon valued at \$701,398.20.

Noon quotations were:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS HK Bank .. 1815 20 G 1520

East Asia .. 170

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1953.

JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Friends' Parting

NO enemy is so bitter as that between friends who have fallen out. At Great Marlborough Street the other morning, there were two such sometime friends.

A man named Joe was in the dock. He was Canadian by birth, an undertaker by profession, though he looked more like a Shakespearean actor.

There was that kind of acquired distinction about him that actors sometimes seem to borrow from their parts to clothe their personality.

Joe pleaded not guilty to a charge of stealing £18 and two cheques from a woman who had been his friend.

THE QUARREL.

SHE was a dress-designer. She said she had gone to her flat one day and stayed talking for about an hour. The telephone had rung and she had gone to another room to answer it. By that time she and Joe were in the middle of a row, and she had asked him to leave the flat. As she telephoned she heard him go.

A little later she looked into her handbag and found the £18 and the two cheques gone.

"Three days later," said the dress-designer, a middle-aged, blonde woman, "he rang up."

"Did you tax him about the £18?" she learned clerk asked her.

"Yes," she said. "I told him I would report it to the police. He said, 'I'll tell them you gave it me.'"

"If you given it him?" the learned clerk asked. "Of course not," she replied.

THE CONFLICT.

JOE climbed in from the dock. "She says I was there for an hour," he said. "I was at her place two days. She gave me those two cheques to try to wash because she was overdrawn at the bank."

"I wasn't," the dress-designer snapped.

A police officer went into the witness-box, and told of Joe's arrest. "He said the money had been given him," the officer reported. Then it was Joe's turn to speak.

Mr Paul Bennett, VC, the magistrate, invited him to go to the witness-box and speak on oath, or to say what he had to say from the dock.

"All I can say is that she gave me the money," Joe said from where he was. "That's all my defence."

He had not once looked at the dress-designer, nor she at him. Her eyes were implicit in the looks they did not exchange.

THE CHOICE.

"WELL, at the moment I don't see why she should have given you the money," said the magistrate. "I can't question you, but if you would care to say why."

"I'd rather not," said Joe.

"Then I have to choose between you, and I choose the woman's story," Mr. Bennett said. He asked the police if anything were known about

Joe. There were two previous convictions against him. In the Isle of Man he had been gaoled for brawling and false pretences in London, fined for causing grievous bodily harm.

"Is he a drinker?" the magistrate asked.

"Not to my knowledge," the policeman answered, "though he does frequent clubs."

THE BREAK.

"SITTING here," said the magistrate to the court, "I don't always hear the whole story. I assume this man was on friendly terms with the woman and that they then quarrelled." He turned to Joe.

"You must go to prison for three months," he said.

"Sir," said Joe, clicking his heels to acknowledge the order.

He marched off to the cells. A small look passed between him and the dress-designer as he went. The end of their friendship was in sight.

TB VICTIM SMOKED OPIUM

A 42-year-old tuberculosis victim, Wong Klim-lim, alias Niu On-yin, unemployed at 91 Connaught Road West, second floor, was fined £1,000 by Mr Hing-shing Lo at Central this morning for possession of opium and two opium pipes.

Representing defendant, Mr J. C. Stewart pleaded guilty and submitted that Wong gave every assistance to the Revenue Officer when the raid was carried out on his premises. He willingly admitted possession of the opium and had been "smoking misguidedly" for over four years. He had been suffering from tuberculosis since 1950 and had a wife, two daughters and a son to support.

The Prosecuting Officer said when defendant's premises were raided on November 17, 12 taels of raw opium, six pieces of prepared opium and five pieces of opium dross, as well as sundry smoking material were found.

Mr Lo asked whether defendant would care to go to Stanley for medical attention. Mr Stewart assured the Court that defendant, although coming to the end of his resources, could still afford private treatment.

SURPLUS FOR AUGUST

A surplus of \$14,754,289.57 was revealed in a financial statement for the month of August this year published in the Government Gazette today.

Revenue for the month amounted to \$32,810,719.42, while expenditure came to \$18,064,420.05.

The General Revenue Balance as at August 31 stood at \$243,813,302.29.

Accused Protests About Sentence

A 28-year-old welder, Wong Fat, who admitted having wounded two women and a man with a chopper, questioned the sentence of seven years and 12 strokes passed on him this morning at the Criminal Sessions by Mr Justice A. D. Scholes.

"I should not be given such a heavy punishment," said Wong. "They hit me and I retaliated with a chopper. It is a very unusual thing. All of us are equally to blame."

Wong faced six charges, three of wounding with intent to murder and three of wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm. He denied all intent to murder and pleaded guilty to only two charges, those of wounding his landlady, Wong Sau-shun, and her son-in-law, Chan Ki-hung, with intent to do grievous bodily harm. He also denied wounding Wong's daughter, Tam Siu-mui, with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

Crown Counsel, Mr D. F. O'Reilly Mayne, accepted the plea and outlined the facts to the Judge.

Mr Mayne said that all three victims resided at 10 Tsz Ming Street, Shaukiwan, where the accused was a sub-tenant. He was in arrears of rent and on the evening of August 22 a dispute arose in the house. The accused took up a meat chopper and caused very serious injuries to the woman, Wong. She suffered six cuts on her head, face, spine and arm. Some of these were down to the bone and fractured her skull. All of these wounds, however, healed.

The accused was separated from Wong by her daughter, Tam, continued Mr Mayne, and so he proceeded to attack the young woman. He was then separated by Tam's husband who turned to attack this man. He inflicted three wounds on Chan's forehead, shoulder and hand and fractured his frontal bone.

EARLIER VIOLENCE

Mr Mayne said that the accused was eventually overcome, the chopper taken away from him and he was taken to the Police.

The accused had displayed violence before, said Crown Counsel, disclosing that the accused was fined \$25 and bound over in \$100 for a year on July 2 for disorderly conduct by fighting and within two weeks was again fined the same amount and bound over in \$25 for a similar offence. Nothing seemed to have been done about the first bond. At the time of the chopper attack, the accused was still in bond, he added.

Notice was given that the accused would care to go to Stanley for medical attention. Mr Stewart assured the Court that defendant, although coming to the end of his resources, could still afford private treatment.

NATURAL COMEDIAN

The Kai Tak Players, the last of the local amateur dramatic societies to open their 1953-54 Season, gave a first performance in Hong Kong of Colin Morris' Reluctant Heroes last night at King George's Hall. No member of the audience could possibly deny that it went off with a bang — a great credit to the sound effects man, in fact.

It is impossible to discover from the programme who designed the following have ceased to hold the appointments indicated in parentheses: Mr D. McLellan (Senior Inspector of Schools); Mr Chan Kam-long (Sub-Inspector of Schools); Dr Liang Pao-ping (Medical Officer of Schools).

The following officers have been appointed Medical Officers: Ko Kit-tak; Tam Kweng-lim; Chen Chih-fu; Feng Jui-jing; Yue Man-yung; Yuen Sing-song; Au-yung Chung; Yang Ching-po; Tsai F. Chin; M. K. C. Lu; Hsu Hsiang-ien; Ho Wing-ho; W. L. Wong; Chan Yip-on; Fong Sin-chien; T. I. T. Ou; Huang Tsu-chuan; Chang Sing-hea; Blondel Shih-hsun Hsu; Sung Shan-chue; Guo Huan-min; Liang Pao-ping.

It was also notified that Mr G. T. Lloyd resigned his office as a Member of the Port Welfare Committee with effect from November 13.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



What I can't understand is why you never want to play house with me!

LATEST GAZETTED

PLAY GOES OFF WITH A BANG

Appointments

The Hon. T. L. Bowring, Director of Public Works, resumed his duties as from November 17, it was announced in the Government Gazette today.

It was also notified that H.E. the Governor has appointed Mr J. Forbes, Waterworks Engineer, to act as a supernumerary and temporary Deputy Director of Public Works.

The following officers have resumed their duties as from November 10: Mr K. J. Attwell (Senior Education Officer); Mr Colin Cairns (Senior Marine Officer).

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Speedy Rescue Of Fliers

Pearl Harbour, Nov. 10.

Seven Navy airmen who ditched their PBY flying boat in mid-Pacific when the plane ran out of fuel were recovering from exposure today after a speedy rescue by a troop transport.

The transport was guided to the survivors last night by two Navy planes that had kept a vigil over the tossing life-raft since the PBY was forced down yesterday 130 miles north of Midway. The transport informed 14th Navy District Headquarters that three of the fliers suffered injuries in the crash landing but that the injuries were not considered serious. — United Press.

He ended by saying, "The three of them hit me so hard I did not intend to murder them."

Mr Justice Scholes remarked that the accused was fortunate in that the woman, Wong who had such serious injuries, did not die. He sentenced the accused to seven years and 12 strokes for wounding Wong and a concurrent term of three years on the charge of wounding the son-in-law, Chan.

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BRITISH SHIP IN DISTRESS

The British steamer *Tesfros* developed rudder trouble while in the Straits of Formosa last night.

It is learned that she is now being towed back to the Colony by a British naval vessel.

The *Tesfros*, of the local Je-shun Shipping Company, left here on Sunday. She is 1,911 gross tons.

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It was announced in the Government Gazette today that Flight Sergeant Denis Moltrain has been commissioned to be a Flying Officer in the Hongkong Auxiliary Air Force.

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